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INTRODUCTORY WORDS

Dear colleagues,

It has been our great pleasure to organize this congress, as the first attempt to accelerate interaction between immunologists and other biomedical scientists, as well as between basic and clinical immunologists. We are all witnesses of increased specialization in science. At the same time, there is a growing need for integration of specific fields for the benefit of scientific research. We hope that this congress is a step forward to better integration of biomedical studies.

PROGRAM

Friday December 6th

9:00-9:15 **Nada Pejnović** OPENING WORDS

OPENING LECTURE (Nada Pejnović)

9:15-10:00 **Janko Nikolić-Žugić** IMMUNE AGING OF SECONDARY LYMPHOID ORGANS: PERSPECTIVES FOR INTERVENTION

Session: IMMUNOTHERAPY

(Đorđe Miljković, Alisa Gruden Movsesijan)

10:00-10:15 **Anica Remenar** ACCELERATE YOUR PACE IN IMMUNE SYSTEM RESEARCH – DURACLONE PANELS, Beckman Coulter/ELTA90MS sponsored lecture

10:15-10:45 **Olivera Finn** TARGETS OF SPONTANEOUS IMMUNOSURVEILLANCE AS VACCINE ANTIGENS FOR CANCER PREVENTION AND THERAPY

10:45-11:10 **Tanja Nikolić** TOLEROGENIC VACCINATION WITH DENDRITIC CELLS IN TYPE 1 DIABETES - FROM AN IDEA TO A TRIAL

11:10-11:30 **Ayca Sayi Yazgan** THE PD-1/PD-L1 IMMUNE INHIBITORY CHECKPOINT IN *H. pylori*- RELATED GASTRIC MALIGNANCIES

11:30-11:45 **Martin Jakopc** AN OVERVIEW OF EVOS IMAGING APPLICATIONS AND SOLUTIONS Thermo Fisher Scientific/Vivogen sponsored lecture

11:45-12:15 **Discussion**

12:15-13:30 *Lunch break/Poster viewing*

Session: NEXT GENERATION SEQUENCING

(Ivana Novaković, Sergej Tomić)

- 13:30-13:45 **Stefano Romorini** BIO-RAD S3E CELL SORTER: CELL SORTING MADE EASY Labena sponsored lecture
- 13:45-14:10 **Borut Peterlin** GENOMIC APPROACH TO MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
- 14:10-14:30 **Ivana Novaković** FROM TRADITIONAL TO MODERN APPROACHES IN ANALYSIS OF DISEASE CAUSING GENES AND GENE VARIANTS: ROLE OF NEXT GENERATION SEQUENCING
- 14:30-14:50 **Goran Čuturilo** NEXT GENERATION SEQUENCING AND IMMUNOGENETICS: EXPERIENCE FROM CLINICAL GENETIC SERVICE OF TERCARY PEDIATRIC REFERRAL CENTRE
- 14:50-15:05 **Marko Andabaka** HLA GENOTYPISATION BY NEXT GENERATION SEQUENCING IN PATIENTS WITH NEUROMYELITIS OPTICA SPECTRUM OF DISORDERS
- 15:05-15:30 **Discussion**
- 15:30-16:30 *Coffee break/Poster session*

Session: VASCULITIS

(Sanvila Rašković, Snežana Arandelović)

- 16:00-16:25 **Sanvila Rašković** NEWS ABOUT ETIOPATHOGENESIS AND THERAPY OF SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS
- 16:25-16:50 **Žikica Jovičić** CAN PRESENCE OF VARIOUS ANTIBODIES PREDICT CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS?
- 16:50-17:15 **Snežana Arandelović** CLINICAL AND IMMUNOSEROLOGICAL PHENOTYPES OF CRYOGLOBULINEMIA
- 17:15-17:30 **Maja Stojanović** TAKAJASU ARTERITIS- DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH

- 17:30-17:45 **Nevena Savić** CRIPTOCOCCUS MENINGOENCEPHALITIS IN DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS OF NEUROLUPUS-A CASE REPORT
- 17:45-18:00 **Rada Mišković** STRONGYLOIDIASIS AND VASCULITIS COMPLICATED WITH TUBERCULOSIS - A CASE REPORT
- 18:00-18:30 **Discussion**

Saturday December 7th

PLENARY LECTURES (Tamara Saksida)

- 9:15-9:45 **Bojan Polić** DECREASE IN BLOOD GLUCOSE LEVELS DUE TO VIRAL INFECTION PROMOTES INNATE-IMMUNE ANTI-VIRAL RESPONSE
- 9:45-10:15 **Maja Jagodić** APPLIED OMICS: INSIGHTS INTO THE PATHOGENESIS OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Session: METABOLIC INFLAMMATION

(Ana Đorđević, Nemanja Jovičić)

- 10:15-10:45 **Rosita Gabbianelli** NUTRIGENOMICS AND INFLAMMATION
- 10:45-11:05 **Nataša Veličković** IS METAFIAMMATION A USUAL SUSPECT FOR FRUCTOSE-INDUCED METABOLIC DISTURBANCES?
- 11:05-11:25 **Aleksandra Stanković** THE IMMUNOMODULATORY EFFECTS OF POLYPHENOL RICH JUICE CONSUMPTION ON GENE EXPRESSION IN SUBJECTS AT CVD RISK
- 11:25-11:45 **Ivana Nikolić** T CELLS AND STRESS – NOVEL REGULATORS OF OBESITY DEVELOPMENT
- 11:45-12:15 **Discussion**
- 12:15-13:30 *Lunch break/Poster viewing*

Session: IMMUNODEFICIENCIES

(Mario Abinun, Srđan Pašić)

- 13:30-13:55 **Mario Abinun** AUTOIMMUNITY AND AUTOINFLAMMATION IN PRIMARY IMMUNODEFICIENCY
- 13:55-14:20 **Desa Lilić** PRIMARY IMMUNE DEFICIENCY AND CANDIDIASIS FROM BENCH TO BEDSIDE
- 14:20-14:40 **Srđan Pašić** PRIMARY IMMUNODEFICIENCY DISEASES WITH DEFICIENT ANTIBODY PRODUCTION IN CHILDREN
- 14:40-15:00 **Sladana Andrejević** THE MANY FACES OF HEREDITARY ANGIOEDEMA
- 15:00-15:15 **Radovan Miljanović** COMMON VARIABLE IMMUNODEFFICIENCY: 18-YEAR FOLLOW-UP OF PATIENTS IN CLINICAL CENTER OF SERBIA
- 15:15-15:30 **Discussion**
- 15:30-16:30 *Coffee break/Poster session*

Session: NEUROIMMUNOLOGY

(Irena Lavrnja, Mirjana Nacka-Aleksić)

- 16:30-17:00 **Diego Centonze** INFLAMMATORY NEURODEGENERATION IN MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
- 17:00-17:30 **Jelena Druловиć** NEUROFILAMENT LIGHT CHAIN LEVELS AND OLIGOCLONAL IgG BANDS - POTENTIAL BIOMARKERS IN MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
- 17:30-18:00 **Gurumoorthy Krishnamoorthy** THE GUT-BRAIN AXIS IN CNS AUTOIMMUNITY
- 18:00-18:30 **Discussion**

Sunday December 8th

PLENARY LECTURES (Nada Pejnović)

- 9:15-9:45 **Vladimir Badovinac** T CELL IMMUNITY DURING SEPSIS-INDUCED IMMUNOPARALYSIS STATE – A FEW SHORT STORIES
- 9:45-10:15 **Dragana Janković** IMPACT OF INFECTION ON HEMATOPOIESIS AND LYMPHOCYTE HOMEOSTASIS

Session: PROTEOMICS

(Marija Gavrović-Jankulović, Marijana Stojanović)

- 10:15-10:45 **Boris Turk** CYSTEINE CATHEPSINS: FROM SPECIFICITY AND SUBSTRATES TO MINIMALLY INVASIVE DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING IN CANCER
- 10:45-11:15 **Uta Jappe** NEW ALLERGENS: THEIR IMPACT ON DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT AND HOW TO IDENTIFY THEM
- 11:15-11:30 **Andrijana Nešić** REGULATION OF mRNA EXPRESSION OF TIGHT JUNCTION PROTEINS AND PRO-ALLERGENIC CYTOKINES BY THE MAJOR KIWIFRUIT ALLERGEN ACTINIDIN IN VIVO
- 11:30-11:45 **Marija Mojić** NKG2D AS A MARKER OF ACTIVE TUMOR-ANTIGEN SPECIFIC CD8⁺ T CELLS DURING ANTITUMOR IMMUNE RESPONSE IN MOUSE MELANOMA MODEL
- 11:45-12:15 **Discussion**
- 12:15-13:30 *Lunch break/Poster viewing*

Session: AUTOIMMUNITY

(Miloš Marković, Slavko Mojsilović)

- 13:30-14:00 **Nebojša Lalić** T CELLS IN TYPE 1 DIABETES: ROLE AND POSSIBILITIES OF MODULATION
- 14:00-14:30 **Andrey Tchorbanov** NEW APPROACHES FOR SELECTIVE IMMUNOTHERAPY OF AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES BY ENGINEERED CHIMERIC MOLECULES
- 14:30-14:45 **Alisa Gruden-Movsesijan** TRICHINELLA SPIRALIS PRODUCTS, POWERFUL MODULATORS OF AUTOIMMUNITY
- 14:45-15:00 **Nemanja Jovičić** EXOGENOUS IL-33 PREVENTS MLD-STZ INDUCTION OF DIABETES AND ATTENUATE INSULITIS IN PREDIABETIC NOD MICE
- 15:00-15:15 **Ivan Koprivica** ATRA- AND TGF- β -LOADED MICROPARTICLES AMELIORATE TYPE 1 DIABETES IN MICE
- 15:15-15:30 **Discussion**

15:30-16:30 *Coffee break/Poster session*

Session: EPIGENETICS

(Melita Vidaković, Ivana Stojanović)

- 16:30-17:00 **Marianne Rots** THE PAST, PRESENCE AND FUTURE OF TARGETING EPIGENETIC MARKS: FROM CHEMICALS AND DNA VIA PROTEINS TO RNA AND CLINICAL GENE THERAPY
- 17:00-17:30 **Tomasz Jurkowski** ERASING EPIGENETIC MEMORY: PRONOUNCED SEQUENCE PREFERENCE OF MAMMALIAN TET ENZYMES GUIDES ACTIVE DNA DEMETHYLATION
- 17:30-17:45 **Jovan Pešović** VARIANT CCG REPEATS WITHIN *DMPK* EXPANSIONS AND SURROUNDING CpG SITES ARE HETEROGENEOUSLY METHYLATED IN BLOOD CELLS OF MYOTONIC DYSTROPHY TYPE 1 PATIENTS
- 17:45-18:00 **Katarina Zeljić** THE IMPORTANCE OF STUDYING miRNAS IN ORAL CANCER
- 18:00-18:15 **Nada Nikolić** GENE METHYLATION IN HEAD AND NECK TUMORS
- 18:15-18:30 **Miljana Tanić** APPLICATION OF EPIGENOMICS FOR THE STUDY OF TUMOR HETEROGENEITY IN NON-SMALL-CELL LUNG CANCER
- 18:30-18:50 **Discussion**
- 18:50-19:00 **Tamara Saksida** CLOSING WORDS

Poster presentation

POTENTIAL IMPACT OF EARLY-LIFE PROBIOTIC
SUPPLEMENTATION ON PERITONEAL MACROPHAGE FUNCTION

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Clinical and animal trials show that early life probiotic consumption provides health benefits in adult life by modulating the immune response. We tested the effects of early life oral consumption of the probiotic *Lactobacillus rhamnosus* on the function and phenotype of rat peritoneal cavity cells in a model of induced colitis. For the first month of their lives, rats were either fed with an aqueous probiotic bacteria suspension (LB group) or tap water (control group). When the rats grew to 3 months old, we studied the response of their peritoneal macrophages to autologous fecal bacteria stimulation *in vitro*, both before and after colitis induction (TNBS 40mg/kg of body mass in 50% ethanol). Compared to the controls, the peritoneal cavity cells of the LB group produced less nitric oxide (NO) and had an increased proportion of CD163+ cells. The rats in the LB group have shown milder symptoms of colitis (shorter length of colon under necrosis, less severe submucosal infiltration, lesser degree of colonic wall thickening), along with a diminished increase of peritoneal pro-inflammatory CCR7+ cells and blunted NO production in response to stimulation by autologous fecal bacteria. Our results may indicate that early oral probiotic administration attenuates macrophage responses to fecal bacteria, which are the primary cause of tissue inflammation and necrosis in chemically induced colitis models, and that this attenuation may be involved in improving the health of colitic rats. (Supported by Ministry of Education, Science and Technological development, Republic of Serbia, Grant No 175050).