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Sanja Musić Milanović



ASSOC. PROF.
SANJA MUSIĆ MILANOVIĆ,
MD, MPH, PHD

Associate Professor Sanja Musić Milanović, MD, MPH, PhD was born in Zagreb where she finished elementary and high school education. Dr. Musić Milanović graduated from the Medical School of the University of Zagreb. She attended the international postgraduate study programme „Master in Public Health Methodology” on Université Libre de Bruxelles, Faculté de Médecine, Ecole de Santé Publique where she earned the title of Master of Science.

Dr. Musić Milanović earned PhD on the Medical School of the University of Zagreb on the topic of demographic, behavioural and socio-economic determinants of obesity in Croatian adults and is also an Associate Professor at the Department for Medical Statistics, Epidemiology and Medical Informatics at the Medical School of the University of Zagreb.

Her areas of work are epidemiology and health promotion. She is Head of the Health Promotion Division on the Croatian Institute of Public Health which is the Reference Centre of the Ministry of Health for Health Promotion. She leads the implementation of the National Programme „Healthy Living”.

She is also the National Technical Focal Point in the Expert Group of the World Health Organization and the European Commission on Health Enhancing Physical Activity as well as the member of the Scientific Council for Anthropological Research of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts.

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Marija Heffer

Prof. Heffer graduated from School of Medicine, University of Zagreb in 1989 and did her postgraduate study in natural sciences. As a part of her scientific training, she studied biochemistry of glycolipids at The Institute for Zoology, Hohenheim University, Stuttgart and at The Institute for Cell Culture Technology, Technical Faculty, University of Bielefeld, Germany.

Additionally, prof. Heffer was a guest scientist in the USA at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and School of Medicine Yale. Since 2005 she has been appointed as a professor of Cell biology and Neuroscience at Faculty of Medicine, Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek.

Prof. Heffer is a neuroscientist with a very broad research area of interest, such as effects of stress on brain function, distribution of major gangliosides in various brain regions, roles of lipid rafts, dendritic morphology and spine density variations, genetic variations in circadian rhythm genes etc.



PROF. MARIJA HEFFER,
MD, PHD

Regarding prof. Heffer's tremendous knowledge in many fields, such as biology, chemistry, neuroscience, genetics etc., we assure you that her lecture at OSCON will definitely be worth hearing and taking notes to!

2.

Lada Zibar

Prof. Lada Zibar, MD, PhD, is internist and nephrologist at Clinical Hospital Merkur in Zagreb, Croatia, and full professor at Faculty of Medicine, University Josip Juraj Strossmayer in Osijek, Croatia. She graduated from School of Medicine, Zagreb University in 1990. She is also a teacher at School of Medicine, University of Mostar, Bosnia and Hercegovina, and was a guest professor at School of Medicine in Foggia, Italy.

Besides pathophysiology and nephrology, she teaches scientific research methodology, with mentoring students in their own research. She has been educated in many fields such as abdominal ultrasound, kidney biopsy, modern teaching methods in medical schools, etc.

She spent an education time at NY Presbyterian Hospital, Columbia University, New York, USA. She is a member of numerous expert committees, especially those in charge for medicines and transplantation.

Prof. Zibar has published various papers, in the field of nephrology and in many others. Her main interests are transplantation medicine, medical ethics and law and medical statistics. She is editor-in-chief of Liječničke novine, official journal of Croatian physicians.



PROF.
LADA ZIBAR, MD, PHD

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Jelena Mandarić

Jelena Mandarić is a master of nutrition who runs her own Per Os counseling center in Osijek. She has a master's degree in the field of Food Science and Nutrition.

She finished The Faculty of Medicine University in Novi Sad, course Supplement Phytotherapy, Health Communication, and Health Statistics (2018 – 2019), and the Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek for Supplement Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Osijek (2019 – 2020).

She also volunteered in Health Center „Vaga“, „Mammae Breastfed Women Club“ as a nutrition consultant, and as volunteer staff in „LAG Baranja“. Her counseling center offers a broad spectrum of services, such as nutritional counseling and presenting a balanced nutritional strategy, individual weight-management plans, dietotherapy (nutritional advising and offering a plan for optimizing health), and recognizing appropriate behavioral-change modifications and dietary approaches for different ages and populations.



JELENA MANDARIĆ,
MAG. NUTR.

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Her commitment to educating young people is reflected in all the activities in which she participates, and this congress is no exception.

Marianna Pap



ASSOC. PROF.
MARIANNA PAP, MD, PHD

Professor Marianna Pap graduated at Medical University, Medical School University of Pecs in 1992.

After that she enrolled PhD programme of Medical biology at University of Pecs and graduated in year 1996. She was Vice Chair at Department of Medical Biology at University of Pech. For several years she was Fulbright lecturer, teaching intensive Cell Biology cours at Boston University in USA.

Since 2004th year she is associated professor at Department of Medical Biology at University of Pecs.

Her scientific interest and research is focused on cell biology, gene technology and cancer biology. She was awarded with numerous awards and honors among others Fulbright fellowship, Rector's award, Young Scientist Award and Excellent Young Lecturer Award, awarded on Fifth Symposium on Cell and Developmental Biology, Debrecen, Hungary.

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She teaches courses on undergraduate and graduate level in the field of cellular and molecular biology at University of Pecs. She has 3 book contributions and 21 peer-reviewed article.

Stefan Mrdenović

Dr. Mrdenović graduated from School of Medicine of the J. J. Strossmayer University of Osijek, where he also attended the Postgraduate Doctorate Course in Biomedical and Clinical Sciences. In February 2013, he started his Specialty Training as a resident at Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Hematology at University Hospital Center Osijek, Croatia – where he currently works.

He earned the title of Postdoctoral Scientist in 2017, at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Department of Medicine, Division of Hematology/Oncology, Samuel Oschin Comprehensive Cancer Center in Los Angeles, California (USA).

His main clinical areas of interest are Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma, Hodgkin Lymphoma, Relapsed and Refractory Acute Myeloid Leukemia, Multiple Myeloma, etc.

Dr. Mrdenović is also a member of various Scientific Societies, such as American Society of Hematology, European Hematology Association, European Society for Medical Oncology, Croatian Society for Neuroscience, etc. His research passion also involves Cancer research, Cancer biology, Cancer drug development, Cell signaling, Signaling pathways, Epigenetics, Neuroscience, Neuroimmunology and Neuropharmacology.



STEFAN MRĐENOVIĆ,
MD, PHD

6.

Suzana Mimica

Suzana Mimica graduated at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Zagreb in 1996. She finished her specialty as a Clinical Pharmacologist in 2004 and is currently the head of the Diagnostic–therapeutic Department for Clinical Pharmacology at the University Hospital Centre Osijek. She is skilled in Pharmacovigilance, Healthcare, Clinical Research, Medical Education and Medicine.

Her work consists of giving consultations and expert opinions on all aspects of pharmacotherapy problems, as well as testing drug hypersensitivity.

Dr. Mimica earned a doctoral degree (PhD) in the field of Geriatric Pharmacotherapy at the Faculty of Medicine Osijek. She is also assistant professor of Clinical Pharmacology at our Faculty of Medicine Osijek. She teaches Pharmacology for our Rational Pharmacotherapy, and our students gladly choose assistant professor Mimica as a mentor for numerous graduate theses.

She was an alternate delegate at Paediatric Committee (PDCO) of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) and a member of Central Ethics Committee (CEC) of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Croatia. Dr. Mimica is currently a member of Medicinal Products' Safety Committee of The Agency for Medicinal Products and Medical Devices (HALMED).



ASSIST. PROF.
SUZANA MIMICA, MD, PHD

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Ana Stupin

Ana Stupin, MD, PhD is the associate professor at the Department of Physiology and Immunology, and the Vice Dean for Inter–Institutional Cooperation and Development at the Faculty of Medicine University of Osijek. She graduated medicine at the Faculty of Medicine Osijek in 2009. Stupin has clinical expertise in internal medicine and became a specialist in general internal medicine in 2019.

Her PhD degree in physiology was completed at the Faculty of Medicine Osijek in 2013 with a doctoral dissertation entitled “The effect of high salt diet on microvascular function in the population of young healthy women”. Under the project of Unity through Knowledge Fund she was a guest researcher at the Vascular Biology Laboratory in the College of Applied Health Sciences, University of Illinois from 2011–2012. She studies the effects of high–salt diet on vascular function with the emphasis on microcirculation and responses of the microcirculation to functional food intake.



ASSOC. PROF.
ANA STUPIN, MD, PHD

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Her other research interests include hypertension, diabetes, hyperbaric medicine, sports physiology and exercise interventions. Stupin was PI and research associate at several scientific projects.