



# 3<sup>rd</sup> SOUTHEAST EUROPEAN MS CONGRESS

UPDATE ON THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY, DIAGNOSIS AND  
TREATMENT OF MS, NMOSD AND MOGAD

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## 16.5.2024.

09.30-10.00 Opening ceremony

### Session MS I Plenary lectures

10.00-10.30 Maria A. Rocca (IT): New diagnostic criteria in MS

10.30-11.00 Thomas Berger (AUS): New strategies with DMT in MS

*Coffe break 11.00-11.30*

### Session II-NMOSD

11.30-12.00 Friedemann Paul (GER): Update on the diagnosis od NMOSD and MOGAD

12.00-12.15 Jelena Drulović (SRB): Autoimmune diseases associated with neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder: Population-based Registry data

12.15-12.30 Tatjana Pekmezović (SRB): Prevalence of NMOSD-worldwide data

12.30-13.00 Discussion

*Lunch break 13.00-14.00*

### Session III-MS

14.00-14.15 Nicolaos Grigoriadis (GR): Tho role of serum Nfl in monitoring disease activity and therapeutic response in MS

14.15-14.30 Šarlota Mesaros (SRB): MRI markers of smoldering MS

14.30-14.45 Alenka Horvat-Ledinek (SLO): Patient-reported outcomes: additional insight to smoldering MS

14.45-15.00 Slobodan Vojinović (SRB): Understanding PIRA in multiple sclerosis

15.00-15:15 Evica Dinčić (SRB): Practical management of ageing patients in MS

15.15-15.30 Discussion

15.30-16.15 **Satellite Symposium I – Hemofarm**

16.15-17.00 **Satellite Symposium II – Roche**

17.00-17.30 **Satellite symposium III – Janssen**

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### Session IV-MS

9.00-9.30 Aksel Siva (TUR): The Best Treatment for Each MS Patient

9.30-9.45 Mario Habek (CRO): Does early use of high-efficacy disease-modifying therapies make the difference in people with multiple sclerosis

9.45-10.00 Rodica Balasa (ROM): Recent Progress in the Identification of Early Transition Biomarkers from Relapsing-Remitting to Progressive Multiple Sclerosis

10.00-10.15 Discussion

*Coffee break 10.15-10.30*

## Session V-MS

10.30-11.00 Diego Centonze (ITA) : A possible role of exercise and physical rehabilitation in promoting synaptic plasticity in multiple sclerosis

11.00-11.30 Kerstin Hellwig (GER): Family planning considerations in people with MS

11.30-11.45 Dr Mario Stampanoni Bassi (ITA): The role of various cerebrospinal fluid biomarkers in MS pathogenesis and therapy

11.45-12.00 Discussion

12.00-12.45 **Satellite symposium IV – Medis**

12.45-13.15 **Satellite symposium V – Merck**

13.15-14.15 *Lunch*

**14.30-15.15 NEUROIMS Lecture** - Hans Lassmann (AUS): The contribution of neuropathology to MS research

**15.30 – 19.00 Panel discussion:** Patient access to high-efficacy disease-modifying therapy in the various Southeast European healthcare systems

15.30-15.40 Jelena Drulović (SRB): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Serbia

15.40-15.50 Aksel Siva (TUR): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Turkey

15.50-16.00 Nicolaos Grigoriadis (GR): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Greece

16.00-16.10 Cecilia Rajda (HUN): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Hungary

16.10-16.20 Mario Habek (CRO): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Croatia

16.20-16.30 Gregor Brecl (SLO): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Slovenia

16.30-16.40 Ivan Milanov (BUL): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Bulgaria

16.40-16.50 Rodica Balasa (ROM): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Romania

16.50-17.00 Jera Kruja (ALB): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Albania

17.00-17.10 Ljiljana Radulović (MNE): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Montenegro

17.10-17.20 Dragana Cvetkovska (RMK): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in North Macedonia

17.20-17.30 Enra Suljić (BIH): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

17.30-17.40 Sanja Grgić (BIH, RS): Treatment of multiple sclerosis in Republic of Srpska

17.40-18.30 Discussion

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## MS Session VI

09.00-09.30 Melinda Magyar (DNK)i: Big multiple sclerosis data network

09.30-09.45 Jelena Drulović (SRB): The impact of comorbid epilepsy on the HRQoL in people with MS

09.45-10.00 Prof. Tatjana Pekmezović (SRB): Epidemiology of MS in Serbia

10:00-10:15 Jasna Jančić (SRB): Current strategies for treatment of pediatric MS

10.15-10.30 Đorđe Miljković (SRB): Intestinal innate lymphoid cells in the CNS autoimmunity

10.30-10.45 Discussion

*Coffee break 10.45-11.00*

11.00-11.30 **Satellite symposium VI – Novartis**

11.30-12.00 **Satellite symposium VII – Astra Zeneca**

### **MS Session VII**

12.15.-12.30 Nikola Veselinović (SRB): Prediction of clinical course in MS using artificial intelligence

12.30-12.45 Gorica Marić (SRB): Prevalence of insulin resistance in MS patients

12.45-13.00 Ivan Adamec (CRO): Transverse myelitis following COVID-19: Insights from a multi-center study

13.00-13.15 Olivera Tamaš (SRB): MS patients with tumefactive lesions: clinical and radiological characteristics

13.15-13.45 Maja Budimkić (SRB): Malignant tumors in people with MS treated with DMTs

14.00-15.00 Lunch

**15.00-16.00 Poster session**

**16.00 Closing ceremony**

**16.15 Assembly of the NEUROIMS**