

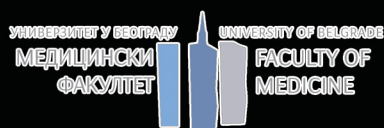


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31 May

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Belgrade Youth Center-Amerikana

12:00-13:00 FRM2019 Highlights

13:00-14:00 BAW Highlights

14:00-15:00 ZooBrainology

15:00-16:00 Euro-Neuro – edutainment, 2012

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Rectorate building - the Mansion of Miša Anastasijević

17:00-17:40 Opening Ceremony

17:40-18:30 Opening Lecture (Chairs: Selma Kanazir & Ivanka Marković)

Professor Carmen Sandi

Laboratory of Behavioral Genetics, Brain Mind Institute, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne, Lausanne, Switzerland

Neural circuits and metabolic pathways on the links between stress, anxiety & motivation

18:30-20:00 Cocktail Party

01 June

Belgrade Youth Center - Amerikana & Hall

- 9:00-9:45** **Keynote Lecture** (Chairs: Elka Stefanova & Ivanka Marković)
Professor Frank Jessen
Department of Psychiatry, University of Cologne, Medical Faculty, Cologne, Germany
First symptomatic manifestation of Alzheimer's disease
- 09:45-10:00** **Coffee Break**
- 10:00-10:35** **Single-cell and SPATIAL transcriptomics in Neuroscience**, lecture by 10X Genomics, sponsored by Labena
- 10:35-12:45** **Morning Session** (Chairs: Dragomir Milovanović & Saša Filipović)
Brain Stimulation, Phase Separation and Open Data
- 10:40-11:05** **Andrej Savić, PhD**
Science and Research Centre, School of Electrical Engineering, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia
Brain-computer interface for electrotactile sensory training after stroke
- 11:05-11:30** **Jovana Bjekić, PhD**
Group for Neuroscience, Institute for Medical Research, National Institute of Republic of Serbia, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia
Using noninvasive brain stimulation to modulate memory in humans: from mechanisms to clinical applications
- 11:30-11:55** **Milorad Dragić, PhD**
Laboratory for Neurobiology, Department of General Physiology and Biophysics, Faculty of Biology, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia
Transcranial magnetic stimulation as a therapeutic approach for neurodegenerative disorders - insights from animal models
- 11:55-12:20** **Dragomir Milovanović, PhD**
Laboratory for Molecular Neuroscience, German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases, Charité University Clinic in Berlin, Berlin, Germany
Phase separation in neuronal physiology and pathology
- 12:20-12:45** **Ivan Zaletel, MD, PhD**
Institute of Histology and Embryology "Aleksandar Đ. Kostić", Faculty of Medicine, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia
Open-access data and resources in neuroscience research

12:45-15:00 **Lunch Break and Poster Session** (13:30-14:30 Selected Abstracts will be presented in Amerikana)

15:00-17:10 **Afternoon Session** (Chairs: Nina Vardjan & Aleksandra Mladenović)

Brain Metabolism & Dietary Interventions

15:05-15:30 **Nina Vardjan, PhD**

Laboratory of Neuroendocrinology, Molecular Cell Physiology, Institute of Pathophysiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Adrenergic regulation of astrocyte glucose and lipid droplet metabolism

15:30-15:55 **Predrag Vujović, PhD**

Department for Comparative Physiology and Ecophysiology, Institute for Physiology and Biochemistry “Ivan Djaja”, Faculty of Biology, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia

Expression Regulation and Roles of Insulin Produced in the Brain

15:55-16:20 **Ana Podolski-Renić, PhD**

Department of Neurobiology, Institute for Biological Research “Siniša Stanković”, National Institute of Republic of Serbia, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia

The role of the Thioredoxin detoxification system in glioblastoma progression and drug resistance

16:20-16:45 **Nataša Lončarević, PhD**

Molecular Nutrition and Health Lab, Centro de Estudos de Doenças Crónicas, NOVA Medical School, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal

Can consumption of (poly) phenol-rich food ameliorate molecular and behavioral PD-like pathology in MPTP-treated mice?

16:45-17:10 **Smilja Todorović, PhD**

Department of Neurobiology, Institute for Biological Research “Siniša Stanković”, National Institute of Republic of Serbia, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia

Dietary restriction as an anti-aging intervention

17:10-17:30 **Coffee Break**

17:30-18:15 **Keynote Lecture** (Chairs: Selma Kanazir & Jelena Đorđević)

Cláudia Nunes Dos Santos, PhD

Molecular Nutrition and Health Lab, Centro de Estudos de Doenças Crónicas, NOVA Medical School, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal

Brain permeability and neuroprotection by the gut (poly)phenol metabolites

02 June

Belgrade Youth Center - Amerikana & Hall

09:00-09:45 **Keynote Lecture** (Chairs: Vladimir Trajković & Danijela Savić)

Marina Jendrach, PhD

Department of Neuropathology, Charité, Universitätsmedizin Berlin, corporate member of Freie Universität Berlin, Humboldt-Universität Zu Berlin, Berlin Institute of Health, Germany

Modulation of neuroinflammation by autophagy

09:45-10:00 **Coffee Break**

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Brain Disorders – From Genetics to Markers

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Laboratory for Human Molecular Genetics, Institute of Molecular Genetics and Genetic Engineering, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia

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Genetics of neurodegeneration: from global resemblance to regional differences

10:55-11:20 **Milena Milošević, PhD**

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ALS IgG - translation to a physiological diagnostic marker

11:20-11:45 **Verica Paunović, PhD**

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Downregulation of LKB1/AMPK Signaling in blood mononuclear cells is associated with the severity of Guillain-Barre syndrome

11:45-12:10 **Marin Jukić, PhD**

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The humanized CYP2C19 transgenic mouse exhibits cerebellar atrophy and movement impairment reminiscent of ataxia

One year of newborn screening for spinal muscular atrophy – results of a Serbian pilot project

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Spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) is the most common genetic cause of death in childhood. Innovative therapies show the greatest benefit only when administered in the presymptomatic period, making newborn screening an ethical and medical priority in many countries. In 2022 Centre for Human Molecular Genetics initiated a feasibility study of the newborn screening for SMA in close collaboration with the University Children's Hospital Tirsova, Association SMA Serbia and with financial support from Novartis Gene Therapies, Roche and Biogen/Medis Pharma aiming to screen up to 8000 babies from the Obstetrics and Gynaecology Clinic Narodni Front during one year. A total of 6950 newborns were tested and SMA was confirmed in two unrelated newborns from families with no history of SMA. A 16-month old sibling of the first baby was also tested, even though he was completely asymptomatic, and SMA was also confirmed. Average time between birth and the first screen-positive result was 5 days, and 8 days between birth and final confirmation of diagnosis. All three children received modifying therapies in less than 10 days from final diagnosis. So far, no false-negatives have been reported among the newborns who tested negative in the screening. As pioneers and leaders in this field, we created synchronised work at different levels of healthcare system, established screening and diagnostic algorithms and follow-up protocols. We are currently involved in scaling up screening to include an additional maternity hospital and preparing the ground for the implementation of the newborn screening for SMA as the official national screening program.