

„FRONTLINES OF PROTECTION“
1ST SYMPOSIUM ON THE PREVENTING AND MANAGEMENT OF
INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN CHILDREN

Day 1
02 October, 2026

08:45 - 09:10

Welcome & Opening Remarks MEDVIS

Brief introduction and meeting objectives
Collaboration Acknowledgment

QUICK-FIRE TALKS 1: REVIVING FORGOTTEN PATHOGENS

09.10-09.20

Tuberculosis and Tetanus

Prof. dr Vladimir Petrović

09.20-09.30

Measles

Dr Goranka Lončarević

09.30-09.40

Polio: From Epidemics to Eradication

Prof. dr Aleksandra Knežević

09.40-09.50

Q&A

09:50 - 10:20

Keynote lecture

Shielding our future: The role of routine immunization in child health

Prof. dr Ken Alexander, USA

10.20-10.30

Q&A

PLENARY SESSION 1: NEW SHIELDS, OLD ENEMIES

10.30-10.55

Advancements in pediatric RSV prevention

Prof. dr Federico Martinon-Torres, ESP

10.55-11.20	Breaking the Chain: Pneumococcal Vaccination and Viral-Bacterial Interplay Prof. dr David Greenberg, ISR
11.20-11.40	Tailoring Influenza Protection: Immune Responses in At-Risk Children Prof. dr Miloš Marković
11.40-11.55	Q&A
11.55-12.15	Coffee break
<u>CROSS-DISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES 1: FRAGILE PATIENTS, HIGHER RISK</u>	
12.15-12.30	From early recognition to treatment: Infectious complications in pediatric stem cell transplant patients Dr Borko Gobeljic
12.30-12.45	Treatment Strategies for multidrug-resistant infections in the pediatric ICU Prof. dr Goran Stevanović
12.45-13.00	Susceptibility to Infections in pediatric kidney Ttansplant recipients Prof. dr Brankica Spasojević
13.00-13.15	Polyomavirus infections in immunocompromised children: Diagnosis and monitoring Doc. dr Danijela Miljanović
13.15-13.30	Q&A
13.30-13.45	SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM

13.45-14.45 Lunch break

14.45-15.15 SPONSORED SYMPOSIUM

CLINICAL CROSSROADS-COMPLEX CASES

15.15-15.30 **When infection meets the heart: The many faces of pediatric myocarditis**

Dr Goran Vukomanović

15.30-15.45 **Preventable harm: Lessons from missed protection**

Prof. dr Ivana Milošević

16.45-17.00 **Invasive meningococcal disease in children: Early recognition and therapeutic challenges**

Prof. dr Goran Tešović

17.00-17.15 **Gastroenteritis: Understanding the burden beyond rotavirus**

Dr Milica Radusinović

17.15-17.25 Q&A

QUICK-FIRE TALKS 2: FROM LAB TO SURVEILLANCE

17.25-17.35 **Pneumococcal surveillance**

Prof. dr Nataša Opavski

17.35-17.45 **From samples to science: Insights from Rotavirus surveillance**

Doc. dr Aleksandra Patić

17.45-17.55 **Lyme disease in children: What are laboratory findings telling us?**

Dr Ivana Kelić

17.55-18.05 **Tracking Morbillivirus: Bridging the laboratory and surveillance**

Dr Jelena Protić

18.05-18.15 Q&A

18.15-18.30 Wrap-up Day 1

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**PLENARY SESSION 3: PREGNANCY AND PROTECTION:
STRATEGIES FOR TWO GENERATIONS**

- 09.00-09.20 **From detection to Protection: Contemporary management of congenital infections**
Prof. dr Ljubomir Petričević, Austria
- 09.20-09.35 **Laboratory insights into neonatal herpesvirus infections**
Prof. dr Maja Ćupić
- 09.35-09.50 **Maternal infection and neonatal outcomes: A gynecologist's view**
Prof. dr Olivera Kontić
- 09.50-10.05 **Diagnosis of congenital CMV infection**
Prof. dr Ivana Lazarević
- 10.05-10.20 Q&A

**CROSS-DISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES 3: NEONATES ON THE
EDGE, PREVENTING EARLY-LIFE INFECTIONS**

- 10.20-10.33 **Herpesviruses and neonatal sepsis: Early recognition and management**
Dr Sonja Gojić
- 10.33-10.46 **Ureaplasmas as Neonatal Pathogens: From Vertical Transmission to Neonatal Health Outcomes**
Prof. dr Slobodanka Đukić
- 10.46-10.59 **Prevention of vertical transmission of blood born viruses (BBV)**
Prof. dr Maja Stanojević
- 10.59-11.12 **Respiratory pathogens (RSV) in newborns**
Dr Iris Pejčić
- 11.12-11.22 Q&A

11.22-11.45

Coffee Break

Immunization in delicate settings

11.45-11.58

Immunization in immunocompromised and high-risk children

Dr. Srđa Janković

11.58-12.11

Influenza vaccination of women during pregnancy

Prof. dr Ljiljana Mirković

12.11-12.24

HPV vaccination: Navigating a delicate topic

Prof. dr Ana Banko

12.24-12.35

Q&A

12.35-13.05

Sponsored symposium:

13.05-14.10

Lunch break

14.10-15.25

PANEL SESSION

Comparative regional insights: National immunization programs

Best practices, Recent advances, and ongoing challenges

Moderator: Prof. dr Vladimir Petrović

Prof. dr Aleksandra Grozdanova

Prof. dr Goran Tešović

Prof. dr Marko Pokorn

Dr Milena Kanazir

Q&A

CROSS-DISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVES 2: THE ENT-PULMONARY INTERFACE

15.25-15.38

Recurrent respiratory papillomatosis

Dr Katarina Stanković

15.38-15.51	Beyond the Pathogen: Biofilm, Microbiome, and the Hidden Ecology of Pediatric ENT Infections Prof. dr Ivana Ćirković
15.51-16.04	Pertusis in Vojvodina: From the introduction of surveillance and immunization to the present day Prof. dr Miodjub Ristić
16.04-16.17	Chronic infections and sequelae Doc. dr Ana Jotić
16.17-16.30	Q&A
16.30-16.45	Sponsored symposium
	<u>QUICK-FIRE TALKS 3: DIAGNOSING THE INVISIBLE</u>
16.45-16.55	Seeing the Unseen: Radiologic Evidence of Congenital Infections Asist. dr Tijana Radović
16.55-17.05	From suspicion to diagnosis: The challenge of pediatric fungal disease Doc. dr Aleksandra Barać
17.05-17.15	Syndromic Laboratory Approaches to Faster Diagnosis Dr Snežana Jovanović
17.15-17.25	Congenital toxoplasmosis: navigating diagnostic and treatment challenges Dr Tamara Šljivančanin Jakovljević
17.25-17.35	Digital collaboration for better surveillance and faster response Asist. dr Marko Janković
17.35-17.45	Q&A

17.45-18.00

Closing Remarks