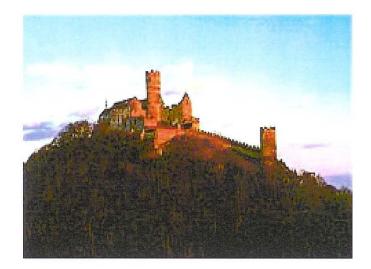


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The EFNS Academy for Young Neurologists had this year run its  $5^{\text{th}}$  course and we welcome 91 participants from 24 countries. Again 21 registered applicants did not arrive – causing a regretable loss of opportunities which could have been used by others. Partly these losses were due to beaurocratic complications regarding visa. The participation from Western countries made still something less than 10%.

The topics of Epilepsy, Muscular Disorders and Dementia were mastered by 9 lecturers to full satisfaction of the participants. The afternoon workshops were vivid and interactive due to very active inquieries by the young colleagues.

The European Union envoy Dr. Philippe Cupers, European Commission, Research Directorate – Health, made the audience aquainted with the possibilities of obtaining grants and taking part in research projects in Europe. Dr. A Šteflová, WHO representative, presented some news on the burden of neurobehavioral diseases worldwide.

After the busy scientific programme young neurologists took part in an organ and flute concert performing a classic music in the St. Bartholomew Church in Doksy. In addition to the EFNS funding the organizers took advantage of a generous unrestricted grant of Lundbeck.

Our thanks belong again to the administrator of the St. Bartolomew's church in Doksy and the performers Helena Mochanová (flute) and Vlastimil Bičík (organ). D. Bextehude, J.S. Bach, G.F. Händel and H. Tomasi were on programme.

The romantic surroundings of the lake and the castle atop of a big hill have made an unforgetable frame to the event – as expressed in numerous comments of the participants.

Dear Magda

Thank you for the organisation of the Academy. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet collegues from another countries and share experience with them, and above all to have lectures by the exellent professors from Europe. I hope to be part of this kind of organisation again.

Your country is magic, Prague is very, very beautifull..

Sincerelly

Merita Marku

I write to thank you for the great hospitality you had to welcome and take care about us in Stare Splavy, in the few days we spent there. It impressed me very much. It was a (wonder)full! time from many points of view, beggining with the professional program very actual, clear and well structured, continuing to to the wonderfull landscapes around Bezdez Hotel and the cultural - romantic program (the organ concert, the "floating.. dinner" and the trips to Bezdez Hrad and Prague). You and all your team were so devoted in all! I hope we shall meet in the future. Ioana Varga, Romania.

DEAR PROFESSOR PAVEL KALVACH AND MAGDA DOHNALOVA!

I want to thank you very much!! very much!! for the opportunity to visit this Academy for young neurologist. It was wonderful!!!!!!! It was a great event in my life, I was very happy!! I have sent the photographs by e-mail and ordinal mail.

Thank you very much!!! again for everything!!! I look forward to hearing from you Yours sincerely Lekomtseva Yevgeniya Dear Prof. Kalvach,

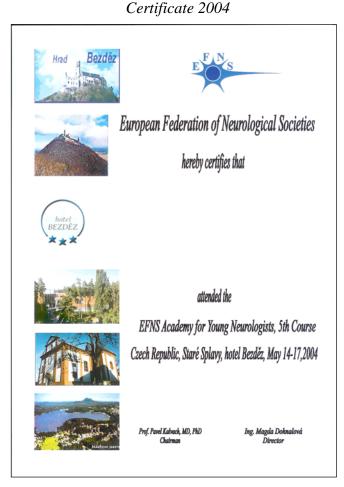
First of all, let me greatly thank you for the opportunity that I had attending Academy for young neurologists 5th course. I cannot find appropriate words to express my big satisfaction. The supposed became unbelievable. Maybe it is a little bit late to write this letter, but believe me, there were so many impressions from this course, that it was not so easy to construct a final retrospective view of this year's Academy. The program was scheduled quite well to establish good scientific background and at the same time integrate young specialists coming from different countries and representing different scientific levels and cultures. So, they could share their experience with others and what is most important - with the invited lecturers. It is evident that most of the lectures were very useful. Even if some of the information that I got introduced with is impossible to realize in a country like Armenia at the moment, it was a good stimulus for the future development of our neurology and, why not, medicine at all. And the most important for me, as a young neurologist, was the "physical" contact with neurology of other countries. It is different to compare virtual communication and the one I had in Stare Splavy. Your words of gratitude were carefully delivered to Prof. Darbinyan, and he was very pleased to know about your interest in our participation in this project.

I want to thank you once again for your warmth, and if it is really possible to get involved in any EFNS activity, we are ready to collaborate. It is just a matter of a talk with Prof. Darbinyan, who is my teacher and curator in neurology. I think you will meet him in Vienna this June. In my turn, I am aimed to make a presentation for our neurological community on the EFNS Academy for Young Neurologists course, of course, with your kind permission. A session of Young Neurologist Committee of Armenian Neurological Association is awaited in the first half of June. It will help to find people, especially young specialists, who are interested in moving our neurology right way.

Sincerely,

Samson Khachatryan, MD

Secretary, Young Neurologists' Committee, Armenian Neurological Association Yerevan, Armenia



# SUMMARY:

#### Participants: 91 neurologists from 24 countries

Albania - 5, Armenia - 1, Belarus - 2, Bulgaria - 1, Croatia - 4, Czech Republic - 7, Estonia - 1, Finland - 2, Georgia - 1, Hungary - 3, Latvia - 4, Lithuania - 3, Macedonia - 2, Moldova - 5, Poland - 10, Romania - 11, Russia - 5, Serbia and Montenegro 4, Slovak Republic - 4, Spain - 4, Sweden - 2, Turkey - 3, Ukraine - 5, Uzbekistan - 2

Lecturers: 9: Austria – 1, Czech Republic - 1, Germany – 4, Greece - 1, Hungary – 1, Switzerland - 1

## Lectures: 3 topics Epilepsy Muscular disorders Dementia

# **INVITED LECTURES – 2004**

#### **EPILEPSY**

Prof. Günter Krämer, Zürich:Drug treatmentProf. Hermann Stefan, Erlangen:Epilepsy surgeryProf. Bruno Mamoli, Vienna:Epilepsies in the elderly

#### MUSCULAR DISORDERS

Prof. Heinz Reichmann, Dresden: Diagnostic tools in muscle disorders; mitochondrial cytopathies Myasthenic and myotonic syndromes Dr. Christiane Schneider - Gold, Würzburg: Prof. Dieter Pongratz, München: Inflammatory myopathies DEMENTIA Clinical aspects of dysexecutive syndrome in **Prof. Imre Szirmai**, Budapest: basic forms of dementia Update on Alzheimer's disease and various rare **Prof. Stavros Baloyannis**, Thessaloniki: dementias **Prof. Pavel Kalvach**, Prague: Vascular dementia

#### List of participants – 2004

<u>ALBANIA</u> - Genc Nurja, Skhodra, Iliriana Shehu, Tirana, Erdit Kiku, Tirana, Florian Dashi, Tirana, Edlira Shemsi, Durres
<u>ARMENIA</u> - Samson Khachatryan, Yerevan
<u>BELARUS</u> - Ala Dziatlava, Vitebsk, Volga Shirko, Vitebsk
<u>BULGARIA</u> – Ivan Stoyanov, Sofia
<u>CROATIA</u> – Davor Sporiš, Zagreb, Siniša Dunatov, Rijeka, Silvijo Vuković, Zagreb, Nataša Dujmenović, Zagreb



<u>CZECH REPUBLIC</u> - Aleš Kopal, Pardubice, Daniela Gregová, Praha, Karolina Mayerová, Praha, Jitka Vaňková, Praha, Jana Kateřina Matějková, Kladruby, Robert Rusina, Praha, Petr Munzar, Pardubice

ESTONIA - Mark Braschinsky, Tartu

FINLAND - Suvi Liimatainen, Tampere, Natalya Demchuk, Helsinki

GEORGIA - Irine Nikabadze, Kutaisi

<u>HUNGARY</u> – András Magyar, Budapest, Szilvia Gulyas, Budapest, Zsuzsanna Farkas, Budapest

<u>LATVIA</u> – Nina Voznarska, Riga, Zane Delina, Riga, Santa Zaloksne, Riga, Sandra Vestermane, Riga

<u>LITHUANIA</u> - Živile Marija Duobaite, Vilnius, Jurgita Kuzmickiene, Vilnius, Arunas Vaitkevicius, Vilnius

MACEDONIA - Merita Ismajli-Marku, Skopje, Ana Dimova, Bitola

<u>MOLDOVA</u> - Carolina Serbusca, Chisinau, Elena Manole, Chisinau, Olesea Odainic, Chisinau, Svetlana Plesca, Chisinau, Marina Sangheli, Chisinau

<u>POLAND</u> - Dagmara Mirowska, Warsaw, Grzegorz Chabik, Warsaw, Justyna Nowicka, Lublin, Ewa Papuc, Lublin, Piotr Luchowski, Lublin, Anna Jamroz-Wisniewska, Lublin, Magdalena Blaszczak, Lublin, Katarzyna Hanus-Atras, Lublin, Mikolaj Pawlak, Poznan, Marta Nowik, Szczecin

<u>ROMANIA</u> - Bogdan Ovidiu Popescu, Bucharest, Rodica Gurau, Piatra Neamt, Ioana Varga, Brasov, Emilia Carmen Mateiescu, Targu Mures, Adina Stoian, Targu Mures, Andrea-Oana Barsan, Targu Mures, Snejana-Slavita Jurici, Timisoara, Vasile Tibre, Cluj Napoca, Izabela Popa, Timisoara, Floricel Vasile Cristea, Bucharest, Florina Violeta Isai-Moldovan, Cluj Napoca

<u>RUSSIA</u> - Anna Vasyatkina, Novosibirsk, Michael Kolesnikov, Nizhny Novgorod, Larisa Shchepankevich, Novosibirsk, Anna Feygina, Moscow, Larisa Michalkova, Moscow <u>SERBIA and MONTENEGRO</u> - Boban Joksimovic, Belgrade, Aleksandar Ristic, Belgrade, Milija Mijajlovic, Belgrade, Tatijana Kozarov, Nis

<u>SLOVAKIA</u> - Viera Hančinová, Bratislava, Denis Richter, Bratislava, Dáša Podhoranská, Bratislava, Eszter Horvath, Komárno

<u>SPAIN</u> - Natalia Pérez de la Ossa Herrero, Barcelona, Elena Urrestarazu Bolumburu, Navarra, Gemma Más Sesé, Alicante, Miguel Alonso-Alonso, Vigo

<u>SWEDEN</u> - Weigang Gu, Umeå, Natalia Beliakova-Mossberg, Gothenburg

TURKEY - Yahya Celik, Edirne, Kadriye Agan, Istanbul, Ipek Midi, Istanbul

<u>UKRAINE</u> - Leonid Marushchenko, Kyiv, Andrii Shaverskyi, Kyiv, Albina Tretyakova, Kyiv, Yevgeniya Lekomtseva, Kharkov, Irina Levchenko, Kharkov, <u>UZBEKISTAN</u> - Nargiza Akhmadjonuva, Tashkent , Zulfiya Mirzadjanova, Tashkent



Bezděz Castle