

Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical immunology



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i kliničkih imunologa Srbije (UAKIS)**

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Allergic and immune-mediated diseases such as asthma, rhinitis, eczema, food and drug allergies, severe anaphylactic reactions, autoimmune disorders and immunodeficiencies represent a significant health problem worldwide which is reaching epidemic proportions.

The Yugoslav Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology was founded on April 27th 1958. in Zagreb from the existing sections: Section of Allergology of the Serbian Medical Association, the Croatian Medical Association and the Medical Association of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI) later on became a national reference body that continues to raise awareness and emphasize the importance of allergic and immune-mediated diseases, design and promote programs for the prevention and state of the art treatment of these diseases in Serbia.

The mission of SAACI is to provide professional and highly specialized services based on the rich clinical experience, implementation of good clinical practice and constant education alongside scientific research both in basic and clinical immunology while following the latest guidelines and recommendations of the leading associations dealing with allergology and clinical immunology.

Our goal is to maintain successful national, regional and international cooperation with the European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology (EAACI) and other renowned organizations working in this field.

You can find more information about SAACI on our official website: <https://uakis.org.rs/>

SAACI Working groups and recent activities

Under the SAACI's wing there are six individual working groups, that are shown in the following diagram:



The close collaborations between the working groups results in the state of the art meetings which bring to the attention some of the burning issues in allergology and clinical immunology that are at times lonesome, forgotten or underestimated. The informative lectures are based on a wide range of clinical presentations supported by the data from the evidence based medical trials and thorough research that combines basic and clinical approach in a unique yet applicable way for the wide range of medical professionals of all ages. Said attempts to clarify even the complex and at times irreprehensible mechanisms of pathogenesis or modern treatment surpass the educational purposes and gradually grow into a fruitful national, regional or international collaboration and present a great networking possibility. Further along the way those connections evolve into a strong base for novel scientific projects or patient oriented programs that enable the optimal care and contemporary treatment.

Third Scientific Meeting with international participation "New insights in Allergology and Clinical Immunology"



The Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI) organized the Third Scientific Meeting with international participation entitled "New insights in Allergology and Clinical Immunology" from 4th till 7th October 2018 at the Hotel Galleria in Subotica. Selected topics regarding Anaphylaxis, Angioedema and immunodeficiency, United airway disease, Allergen immunotherapy and systemic diseases and vasculitides represented the joint effort of SAACI's working group and provided the wide range of useful and important take home messages essential for the good clinical practice. Said topics were beautifully presented by the 42 invited lecturers and internationally renowned speakers, leaders and representatives of this field of interest.

Interdisciplinary approach and elaborate scientific program presented a favorable learning opportunity for more than 176 physicians, mainly allergists and clinical immunologists that reportedly attended this meeting. Once again, this meeting has proved to have been a wonderful networking opportunity for all the medical professionals to bring to raise awareness of the importance of allergic and immune-mediated diseases while insisting on the overall well-being of patients and their quality of life.



NAS Village at the EAACI Congress 2019

Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI) was represented in the **NAS Village at the European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology (EAACI) Congress 2019** in [Lisabon, Portugal](#). The members of our Association took an active participation in the EAACI Congress and still found time to bring Serbia closer to the other participants of the said event. Our rich cultural, the historical, religious and gastronomical heritage was demonstrated in a few posters and a brief statement. The true colour of a well known hospitality was demonsted with sincere smiles and warm greetings, inviting conversation that would and with a sweet yet symbolic parting gift of the *licidar heart* that combines the art, tradition and emotion of our people wherever they are.



**“Pollinex- contemporary perspective of immunotherapy”
a lecture and a workshop organized by
The Working group for Allergen immunotherapy of SAACI**



The Working group for Allergen immunotherapy of the Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical immunology took part in the organization of the workshop with lectures given by experts in this field, in collaboration with Vivax Pharma Adria entitled **“Pollinex- contemporary perspective of immunotherapy”** on **October 25th 2019. at a lecture hall of “88 Rooms” Hotel in Belgrade, Serbia.** Open discussion and interactive workshop pointed out the essential key points valuable in everyday clinical practice, presented recent published data and emphasized the importance and application alongside the expected development of the contemporary immunotherapy both from the adult and pediatric allergologist point of view.



"Primary Immunodeficiency - Principles and Practice"
National symposium organized by
the Serbian Group for Primary Immunodeficiencies (SGPI) and
Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI)



Serbian Group for Primary Immunodeficiencies (SGPI) and Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI) organized a national symposium **"Primary Immunodeficiency - Principles and Practice"** on [November 23rd, 2019](#) in [Kopaonik](#). This accredited, interdisciplinary meeting was a unique opportunity for the physicians involved in treatment of patients with primary immunodeficiency disorders to exchange experiences and gain new knowledge, improve cooperation, but also meet old friends and gain new ones.



"Immunology at the Confluence of Multidisciplinary Approaches"

Scientific conference organized by the Immunological Society of Serbia (ISoS) in cooperation with the Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI)



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Representatives and members of Working groups for Systemic connective tissue diseases and vasculitidis as well as Primary Immunodeficiency and Hereditary angioedema of the Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI) took and active participation in the scientific conference "Immunology at the Confluence of Multidisciplinary Approaches" held from 6th to 8th December, 2019. at the Sava Center in Belgrade. This meeting was organized by the Immunological Society of Serbia (ISoS) in cooperation with the Serbian Association of Allergology and Clinical Immunology (SAACI), the Serbian Genetic Society, the Serbian Biochemical Society, the Serbian Society for Molecular Biology and the Serbian Neuroscience Society. The sessions included the topics of Cellular immunotherapy, Diabetes, Epigenetics, Primary immunodeficiency, Metabolic inflammation, Neuroinflammation, Next generation sequencing, Proteomics and Vasculitides – clinical and laboratory aspects.

