

**FINAL PROGRAM**

# **30<sup>th</sup> Ljudevit Jurak**

**INTERNATIONAL  
SYMPOSIUM ON  
COMPARATIVE  
PATHOLOGY WITH  
ONE HEALTH SESSION**

**PRACTICAL PATHOLOGY**

**June 6 - 8, 2025**

**ZAGREB, Croatia, Hotel Academia**



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i molekularnu biologiju



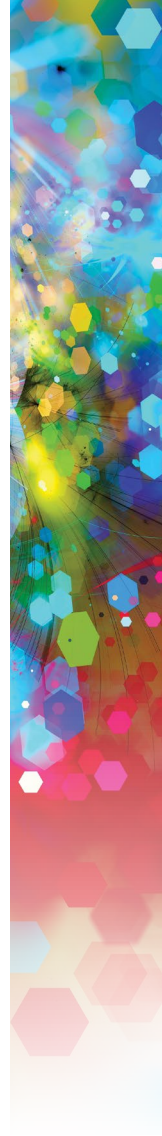
**HDPSM**  
Croatian Society  
of Pathology and  
Forensic Medicine

**Dear colleagues,**

The Organizing Committee invites you to take part in the **30<sup>th</sup> Ljudevit Jurak International Symposium on Comparative Pathology**, which will be held in **June 2025**. On this occasion, we are celebrating the 30th anniversary of our Ljudevit Jurak Symposium, and many of our distinguished friends and colleagues will present various interesting lectures from different fields of pathology. The topic of the Symposium is Practical Pathology, so we cordially invite our human and veterinary pathology colleagues, as well as forensic pathologists to join in this celebratory edition of our Symposium. Traditionally, what separates and defines this Symposium is collaboration with veterinary pathologists and the comparison of pathologic changes in human and veterinary medicine. With this symposium, we honour Professor Ljudevit Jurak, who founded the first pathology department in Croatia, in Sestre milosrdnice University Hospital Center. Professor Ljudevit Jurak contributed greatly to veterinary and human pathology as well as forensic medicine and represents a historical and eminent figure in the field of pathology both in Croatia and worldwide. All pathologists dealing with human and veterinary pathology as well as forensic pathologists are invited to participate in this multidisciplinary meeting and engage in a variety of discussions, social gathering and enjoyment.

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POSTER SESSION: We also invite all interested colleagues to send their abstracts about the main topics, as well as other surgical pathology and forensic topics, for the poster presentation.



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

**Main topics** Practical Pathology

**Date and venue** June 6 - 8, 2025  
Hotel Academia, Tkalčićeva 88, Zagreb

**Official language** English

### Registration fee

- residents: 50 €
- specialists: 100 €
- student: GRATIS

On-site registration will also be available but pre-registration is highly preferable due to organization issues.

You may electronically apply at registration form:

<https://contres.hr/dogadjaj/30th-ljudevit-jurak-international-symposium-on-comparative-pathology/#registration>

**Poster session** Posters will be displayed in electronic version on site.

Instructions for e-posters and abstracts:

- e-posters and poster abstracts should be sent online by 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2025.
- e-poster should be prepared in PowerPoint and contain only one slide in landscape format. Font size should not be less than 10pt. The e-poster must not contain audio/video content.
- poster abstracts should be short and informative, have to include title, authors' name and institutions and will be part of the book of abstracts. Please submit the poster abstract and poster to <https://contres.hr/dogadjaj/30th-ljudevit-jurak-international-symposium-on-comparative-pathology/#poster-session>

**Evaluation and confirmation on participation** All Croatian participants will receive official points from the Croatian Medical Chamber and Croatian Veterinary Chamber.



**Social program** For registered participants there will be coffee breaks and lunch on Friday and Saturday, dinner on Friday and an interesting trip to Učka and Opatija on Sunday.

Friday's dinner will be held at the Baltazar restaurant, Nova ves 4, Zagreb at 20:30.

On Sunday we will take you on a trip to Istria. After a bus ride through Gorski Kotar, we will stop for a late breakfast at the restaurant "Dopolavoro", which is located at 1000 m above sea level on the old road to Učka, just 15 kilometers from Opatija. Those who want to explore some of the natural beauty of Učka on foot, we will take along a Vela Draga educational trail. Without question, this is one of the most attractive sites within Učka Nature Park. This natural phenomenon, which the forces of nature – earthquakes, wind, sun and water – first began shaping as early as the Tertiary period (140 million years ago), has been protected since 1963 as a natural reserve, and since 1998 as a geomorphological nature monument. Those who would rather learn something about Učka instead of taking a walk will be taken to the Poklon Visitor Centre, a new prime destination for all future visitors to the Učka Nature Park. Through education and multimedia experience the Center aims to raise visitors' awareness of the importance of nature and the need for its active protection. The central place of the Center is a multimedia exhibition, in which, in a modern and interactive way, the natural, cultural and historical values of the Učka Nature Park and the surrounding area are presented. Finally, around 3 pm, we will take you to lunch at the Royal Hotel restaurant in Opatija. If the weather is nice, there will be an opportunity for swimming.



## **Invited Lectures/Speakers**

Ivan Damjanov (USA)  
Gregor Mikuz (USA)  
Fabio Del Piero (USA)  
Günter Klöppel (Germany)  
Atsuko Kasajima (Germany)  
Zoran Gatalica (USA)  
Suzana Tkalčić (USA)  
Elizabeth Schilling (USA)  
Reza Alaghebandan (USA)  
Marija Baković (Croatia)  
Semir Vranić (Qatar)  
Faruk Skenderi (BIH)  
Snježana Dogan (USA)  
Ivan Stojanov (USA)  
Luka Brčić (Austria)  
Ivan-Conrado Šoštarić-Zuckermann (Croatia)  
Andrea Gudan Kurilj (Croatia)  
Lidija Medven Zagradišnik (Croatia)  
Doroteja Huber (Croatia)  
Ivan Švagelj (Croatia)  
Krunoslav Vinicki (Croatia)

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## FRIDAY / JUNE 6, 2025

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**08:00** REGISTRATION

**08:30** **Božo Krušlin, Monika Ulamec** (Croatia) –  
Celebrating Jurak Symposium

### INVITED LECTURES

**Chairpersons: Božo Krušlin, Monika Ulamec**

**09:00** **Ivan Damjanov** (USA) – Pathology Residents Training Program at the University of Kansas

**09:20** **Gregor Mikuz** (Austria) - The Multitasking Sertoli Cell

**10:00** **Zoran Gatalica** (USA) - Precision Medicine in Oncology and Pathology - a Personal View from 20+ Years of Practice

**10:40** **Coffee Break**

**Chairpersons: Elisabeth Schilling, Marina Kos**

**11:00** **Fabio Del Piero** (USA) – A Gold Standard Comparative Pathology Service Bridging Diagnostics and Academia: Diseases of Vertebrates and Invertebrates, One Health, Veterinary Research and Basic Sciences

**11:45** **Suzana Tkalčić** (USA) – Bee or Not to Be: Anticancer Properties of Bee Venom

**12:30** **Ivan - Conrado Šoštarić - Zuckermann** (Croatia) – Skin Nodular Inflammatory Lesions in Animals: Can a Human Pathologist Learn Something from a Veterinary Colleague?

**13:00** **Andrea Gudan Kurilj** (Croatia) – The Hidden Battle: Metastatic Tumors in Our Canine Companions

**13:20** **Lunch**





**Chairpersons: Antonija Jakovčević, Hrvoje Čupić**

- 14:30**    **Snježana Dogan** (USA) – Diagnostic Challenges of the Sinonasal Tract
- 15:00**    **Ivan Stojanov** (USA) – Oral Epithelial Dysplasia: Past, Present and Future
- 15:30**    **Semir Vranić** (Qatar) – The Role of NTRK1-3 Fusions in Soft Tissue Sarcomas and the Promise of TRK Inhibitors
- 16:00**    **Marija Baković** (Croatia) – The Distinct Features of Medicolegal Autopsies
- 20:30**    **Symposium Dinner**  
Restaurant Baltazar, Nova ves 4, Zagreb

## **SATURDAY / JUNE 7, 2025**

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**Chairpersons: Lovorka Batelja-Vuletić, Ana Šepac**

- 09:00**    **Atsuko Kasajima, Günter Klöppel** (Germany) – Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumor G3: Pathology and Progression
- 09:45**    **Luka Brčić** (Austria) – NSCLC Diagnosis and Molecular Testing: Recent Advances
- 10:15**    **Ivan Švagelj** (Croatia) – The Cell Block as a (Self-)Educational Bridge Between Pathology and Cytology
- 10:45**    **Krunoslav Vinicki** (Croatia) – Breaking the Light Diffraction Limit: A Novel Deconvolution Method for Sub-200nm Resolution in Hematology and Cytology
- 11:00**    **Coffee Break**

**Chairpersons: Fabio Del Piero, Suzana Tkalčić**

- 11:20**     **Faruk Skenderi** (BiH) – Preparing Pathologists for the Digital and Molecular Era
- 11:50**     **Elizabeth Schilling** (USA) – How Bad Is It? Sorting Out Oral Inflammation or Neoplasia.
- 12:20**     **Doroteja Huber** (Croatia) - When Dog's Mast Cells Take Over: A Case of Systemic Mastocytosis
- 12:40**     **Lidija Medven Zagradišnik** (Croatia) – Born with a Broken Heart: Congenital Heart Defects Across Species

**13:00**     **Lunch**

**Chairpersons: Semir Vranić, Božo Krušlin**

- 14:00**     **Reza Alaghehbandan** (USA) – Prostate Cancer Updates: Grading and Reporting
- 14:30**     **Reza Alaghehbandan** (USA) - Mismatch Repair Deficiency in Prostate Cancer: From Slide to Report

**15:00**     **Coffee Break**

- 15:30**     **Reza Alaghehbandan** (USA) – Interactive Unknowns: A Slide Session for Practicing Pathologists

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