

32nd Annual General Meeting of EAMDA
Ljubljana, Slovenia, 26 – 29 September 2002

P R O G R A M M E

First day – Thursday – September 26

13.00 – 19.00 Arrival of Delegates and Participants, Registration
M Hotel

15.00 Executive Committee Meeting
M Hotel

19.00 Get – Together Banquet
M Hotel

Second day – Friday – September 27

Symposium on Biological and Social Resources for the Advancement of the Quality of Life of People with Neuromuscular Disorders Part I

Institut for Rehabilitation Republic of Slovenia
Lecture Hall – Fourth Floor

Chairman: **Milan R. Dimitrijević**

9.00 – 9.20 Official opening & welcome speeches

9.20 – 9.50 Professor Dr. Gerta Vrbova, University College of Medicine, London,
UK: **Biology of Neuromuscular Disorders**

9.50 – 10.00 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates

10.00 – 10.30 Professor Dr. Ugo Carraro, School of Medicine, Padova University,
Padova, Italy: **Regenerative capabilities of the muscles.**

10.30 – 10.40 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates

10.40 – 11.00 Coffee break

Chairman: **Milan Gregorič**

11.00 – 11.30 Professor Dr. Milan R. Dimitrijevič, University Institute for Clinical
Neurophysiology, Ljubljana, Slovenia & Baylor College of Medicine,
Houston, Texas, USA: **Muscle contraction as a source of sensory input
to the Brain.**

11.30 – 11.40 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates

- 11.40 – 12.00 Dr. Aleš Pražnikar, Institute for Rehabilitation Republic of Slovenia, Ljubljana: **Neurophysiology of posture and gait.**
- 12.00 – 12.10 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
- 12.10 – 12.40 Professor Dr. Helmuth Kern, Institute for Physical Medicine and Ludwig Boltzman Institute for Electrical Stimulation in Rehabilitation, Wilcheminenhospital, Vienna, Austria: **Build up of denervated muscles by electrical stimulation.**
- 12.40 – 12.50 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
- 12.50 – 14.00 Lunch

Chairman: **Mija Mežnarič Petruša**

- 14.00 – 14.20 Professor Dr. Tadej Bajd, School of Electrical Engineering, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia: **Robotics application in people with weak muscles: upper extremities and standing-up.**
- 14.20 – 14.40 Assistant Professor dr. Zlatko Matjačič, Institute for Rehabilitation Republic of Slovenia: **Robotics application in people with weak muscles: standing and walking.**
- 14.40 – 14.50 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
- 14.50 – 15.10 Professor Dr. Marko Munih, School of Electrical Engineering, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia: **Instrumental assessment of upper limbs (hand)**
- 15.10 – 15.20 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
- 15.20 – 15.40 Coffee break

Chairman: **Aleš Pražnikar**

- 15.40 – 16.10 Professor Dr. Anton Zupan, Institute for Rehabilitation Republic of Slovenia, Ljubljana: **Rehabilitation programs for People with Neuromuscular Disorders.**
- 16.10 – 16.20 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
- 16.20 – 16.40 Professor Dr. Janez Zidar, Doc. Dr. Mija Mežnarič Petruša, Prof. Dr. Borut Peterlin, Prim. Miro Gorenšek, Stanka Ristič Kovačič: University Institute for Clinical Neurophysiology, Ljubljana, Slovenia: **Center for diagnosis and prevention of Neuromuscular Disorders of the Neurophysiological Institute.**
- 16.40 – 16.50 Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
- 17.00 – 18.30 Visit of all Participants to the Headquarters of Muscular Dystrophy Association of Slovenia & Birografika BORI, Company for Vocational Training and Employing People with Neuromuscular Disorders
- 19.30 Gala Dinner in M Hotel

Third day – Saturday – September 28

Symposium on Biological and Social Resources for the Advancement of the Quality of Life of People with Neuromuscular Disorders Part II

Hall of Local Community
(Next Building to M Hotel)

9.00 – 10.00	Mr. Boris Šuštaršič, President of Muscular Dystrophy Association of Slovenia, Member of National Council of Republic of Slovenia (the upper house of Parliament), General Manager of Birografika BORI: Social resources and Quality of Life of People with Neuromuscular Disorders.
10.00 – 10.30	Discussion and Interaction with Delegates
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 12.30	Annual General Meeting
12.30 – 13.15	Lunch
13.15 – 15.00	Annual General Meeting
15.00	Visit of all Participants to Dom dva topola in Izola – Centre for Social & Medical Rehabilitation of People with Neuromuscular Disorders
20.00	Farewell Dinner

Parallel Session

Seminar Hall in M Hotel

10.00 – 12.00	Working group on development of the document: “Importance of assessment of phenotypes for evaluation of molecular genetics of Neuromuscular Disorders” . Proposal of the document will be presented by Professor Dr. Gerta Vrbova, London, UK, at 32 nd AGM of EAMDA in Ljubljana
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Fourth day – Sunday – September 29

Executive Committee Meeting

Departure of Participants