General information and Course programme of the

1st MUSCULOSKELETAL SONOGRAPHY COURSE
FOR RHEUMATOLOGISTS - BASIC -
Zagreb, January 19th - 21st, 2012

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Course opening
Thursday, January 19th, 2012 - h 12:00

Course closing
Saturday, January 21st, 2012 - h 15:10

Participants
The number of participants is limited to 30

Official language
English

Congress Venue
Hotel Dubrovnik, Gajeva 1, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia
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Musculoskeletal sonography course for rheumatologists, Zagreb 2012 is intended to be a combination of lectures and practical sessions. The course consists of theoretical talks and supervised hands-on scanning of healthy persons and/or patients with musculoskeletal disorders.

**Sponsorship:** ESAOTE, General Electric, Olympus, MSD, Abbott, Pfizer, Roche. ESAOTE, GE and Olympus will provide ultrasound equipment free of charge.

Sponsors will not have any influence on the course programme, scientific and other content, or speakers in any way.

The Course is in a process of CME accreditation at the Croatian Ministry of Health.

Registration is intended to be opened for all EULAR member countries.

Formal evaluation of the course will be performed by all attendees at the end of each course day.

The number of participants is limited to 30.

This 3-day course fee will be 1000 EUR per participant (lodging and food is included in the course price).
OBJECTIVES
- To learn technical characteristics and setting of ultrasound equipments for rheumatology.
- To learn basic normal musculoskeletal ultrasonographic anatomy (MSUS).
- To learn basic pathological MSUS findings.
- To learn the systematic standardized sonographic scanning method of each anatomical region, according to the EULAR guidelines.
- Applications, indications and limitations of MSUS in rheumatology.
- Image documentation.
- Basics of Colour and Power Doppler application to detect synovial and entheseal inflammation.

MAIN TOPICS
- Ultrasound physics and technology, technical characteristics of ultrasound equipments in rheumatology, applications, indications and limitations of MSUS.
- MSUS anatomy, artefacts and misinterpretation in MSUS.
- Standardized sonographic scanning method of each anatomical region (shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand, hip, knee, ankle and foot) according to the EULAR guidelines.
- Basic pathological sonographic findings (tendinosis, tenosynovitis, partial and complete tendon tear, entesopathy, bursitis, calcifications, articular cartilage lesions, cortical abnormalities and joint synovitis).
- Reporting US findings and diagnosis.

WORKSHOP
- Practical handling of the ultrasound system settings.
- Supervised identification of musculoskeletal sonoanatomy.
- Supervised standardized sonographic scanning of the shoulder, elbow, wrist and hand, hip, knee, ankle and foot.
- Supervised hands-on scanning of patients with basic musculoskeletal lesions.
- Supervised assessment of the basic somographic symptoms or inflammation severity in grades.

TIMETABLE
- Musculoskeletal Sonography Course for Rheumatologists, Basic Level, consists of 15.5 hours of activities within 3 days:
  - 6 hrs 10 minutes (39% of total time) for lectures.
  - 9 hrs 20 minutes (61% of total time) for supervised hands-on scanning of models and/or patients with musculoskeletal disorders.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Thursday, January 19th, 2012.

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16:00-16:25  Artifacts and misinterpretation in MSUS.  P. Balint
16:25-16:50  Technical characteristics and setting of ultrasound equipments for rheumatology.  A. Iagnocco
16:50-17:10  Coffee break

Chairpersons:  M. Matucci-Cerinic, P. Perić

18:40-19:10  Reporting ultrasound findings and diagnosis.  M. Matucci-Cerinic
19:10-20:00  Workshop: Supervised reporting of ultrasound findings and diagnosis.
20:30  Dinner

Friday, January 20th, 2012.

Chairpersons:  T. Nemčić, N. Damjanov
09:00-09:40  Sonographic semiology (tendinosis, tenosynovitis, partial and complete tendon tear, entesopathy, bursitis, calcifications, articular cartilage lesions, cortical abnormalities and joint synovitis).  N. Damjanov
09:40-10:20  Enthesitis and enthesopathy.  P. Balint
10:20-10:40  Coffee break
10:40-11:10  Standardized scanning of the hip: normal and basic pathologic findings.  G. Radunović
11:10-12:30  Workshop: Supervised scanning technique of hip. Normal and basic pathological findings
12:30-13:00  Standardized scanning of the knee: normal and basic pathological findings  F. Porta
13:00-14:20  Workshop: Supervised scanning technique of knee. Normal and basic pathological findings
14:20-15:30  Lunch

Chairpersons:  E. Naredo, P. Perić
15:30-15:50  Standardized scanning of the shoulder: normal and basic pathological findings.  E. Naredo
15:50-17:50  Workshop: Supervised scanning technique of shoulder. Normal and basic pathological findings
20:00  Dinner

Saturday, January 21st, 2012.

Chairpersons:  N. Laktaši-Žerjavić, P. Perić
09:00-09:20  Standardized scanning of the wrist and hand: normal and basic pathological findings.  P. Perić
09:20-09:40 Standardized scanning of the elbow: normal and basic pathological findings. N. Laktašić-Žerjavić

09:40-10:00 Standardized scanning of the ankle and foot: normal and basic pathological findings. G. Radunović

10:00-10:30 Coffee break

10:30-11:00 Standardized scanning of sacroiliacal joints: normal and basic pathological findings. M. Harjaček

11:00-13:20 Workshop: Supervised scanning technique of wrist, hand, elbow, ankle and feet. Normal and basic pathological findings

13:20-13:40 Coffee break

13:40-14:10 Test of knowledge

14:10-15:10 Lunch and certificate issuing

Registration fees:
This 3-day course fee will be 1000 EUR per participant (lodging and food is included in the course price). It is recommended to make reservation of accommodation directly to Atlantis Travel agency:
mail: zagreb@atlantis-travel.hr tel. +385 1 4811155, fax +385 1 4818914
Registration deadline: 20th December 2011.

Registration fees include:
- Admission to all conference sessions
- Conference KIT
- Conference session materials
- Certificate of attendance and CME certificate
- Coffee breaks and lunches, as specified in the program

Registration instructions:
To register for the Course you must fill in the form and send it, together with the payment of the registration fee to the Organizational Secretariat. No registrations will be made without payment of the registration fee. The Organizational Secretariat will inform the participant that he or she has been registered for the Course.

You can find registration application on web site www.atlantis-travel.eu!

Methods of payment: The registration fee may be paid by bank transfer.

BANK DETAILS:
Raiffeisen bank Austria dd
Address: Petrinjska 59, Zagreb
In favour of: Atlantis Travel d.o.o.
IBAN: HR 4324840081500155209
SWIFT CODE: RZBHHR2X
Reference number: 11-15910-12

BANK DETAILS (for payment in Kunas)
Atlantis travel d.o.o.
Petrinjska 59, Zagreb
Account: 2484008-1100439430
Reference number: 15910-12

Amount should be net of bank commission!

The copy of bank transfer must be sent together with the registration form to the Organizational Secretariat. No registration will be made without payment.

Cancellations: The Secretariat must be informed in writing of any cancellations. Eighty percent of the sum paid will be refunded for cancellations made before December, 20th 2011. No money will be refunded for cancellations made after that date. For more information, please visit the web sites:
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