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EUROAGEISM H2020 Project

FIP7 program on „Inappropriate prescribing and availability of medication safety and medication management services in older patients in Europe”

A new project under the European Commission Horizon 2020 program has started this year, called EUROAGEISM H2020 project, and one of the scientific programs is entitled FIP7 program on „Inappropriate prescribing and availability of medication safety and medication management services in older patients in Europe” (2018-2021) (see <https://portal.faf.cuni.cz/Research-Overview/Euroageism-project/>).

This scientific program focuses on descriptions of the major problems of inappropriate drug prescribing in older adults in 13 EU and non-EU countries. Faculty of Pharmacy in Hradec Králové, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic belongs to main coordinating institutions and Fialová Daniela, PharmD, Ph.D., BCCP, an expert in rational geriatric pharmacotherapy and geriatric clinical pharmacy, is the Chair and principle investigator of this FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 project. Research works in FIP7 EUROAGEISM program will be devoted to specific problems of inappropriate prescribing and excessive polypharmacy in older patients, to availability of safer drug alternatives, clinical pharmacy services and other medication safety and medication management services in older adults in Europe. 8 Central and Eastern European countries (the Czech Republic, Lithuania, Slovak Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Serbia, Albania, Bulgaria), 3 Western EU countries (Ireland, Belgium and Portugal) and also 3 non-EU countries (Turkey, India and Ethiopia) will be involved in this research cooperation. The program will also support development of geriatric clinical pharmacy services, particularly in Central and Eastern Europe.

The EUROAGEISM H2020 project joins 15 scientific programs, chaired by leading researchers from the EUROAGEISM Consortium from Israel, the Czech Republic, the United Kingdom, Poland, Netherlands, Sweden, Finland and Belgium. These specific programs focus on different problems of the ageing of the population- appropriate health and social care provision, the availability of working opportunities for seniors, medicalization and legal aspects of ageing and issues related to inappropriate prescribing, medication safety and medication management services to older adults in Europe. The EUROAGEISM Consortium is a multi-disciplinary, multi-sectoral, science-policy, international consortium of researchers, policy makers, and social and health care professionals from excellent research teams, closely cooperating with strategic partner European organizations involved in the project, e.g. AGE platform Europe, European Centre in Switzerland, World Health Organization, Health and Social Care Alliance in Scotland and United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE). This network is not only dedicated to the scientific works, but also in the training of a new generation of Early Stage Researchers (ESRs) that should capture future positions of scientists, educators, science advisers, policy advocates, or legislators on the European level and that will help with solving of future problems arising from ageing of the world population and aspects of ageism.

On June 27th, 2018, the EUROAGEISM Consortium meeting was held at Comenius University in Bratislava, where 15 main scientific programs of the EUROAGEISM project were presented and discussed by the European Consortium members in a close collaboration with representatives from WHO, UNECE, EC, Age Platform Europe and other partner organizations. Subsequently, on June 28th – 29th, 2018 in hotel Tatra, Bratislava, the Opening Ceremony of FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program took place, where research teams and researchers participating in FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program met for the first time. During the Opening Ceremony, 10 ESRs from 9 EU and non-EU countries were awarded diplomas of “ESR participants in the network”. These researchers won such positions in spring 2018 Consortium Competition and will be supported for participation in training schools and scientific events during the next 4 years. At the Opening ceremony, all young ESRs were cordial welcome by the Chair of the EUROAGEISM Consortium Prof. L. Ayalon from the Bar Ilan University in Israel. After introductory presentations they received diplomas from the representatives of the Faculty of Pharmacy, Charles University, Czech Republic: Assoc. Prof. Jaroslav Roh, PharmD., Ph.D., Vice-Dean for Science and Research and Prof. RNDr. Jiří Vlček, CSc., Chair of the Board for Postgraduate Studies in Clinical and Social Pharmacy, Department of Social and Clinical Pharmacy, Faculty of Pharmacy, Charles University.

The winner of the FIP7 EUROAGEISM program competition was Jovana Brkić, MSc. from the University of Belgrade, Serbia. For the next 4 years she will work at the Department of Social and Clinical Pharmacy, Faculty of Pharmacy, Charles University under supervision of the Chair of FIP7 EUROAGEISM program Fialová Daniela, PharmD., Ph.D., BCCP and will help to coordinate international scientific works. Mrs. Jovana Brkic, MSc. will finalize her PhD degree in FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program and will be privileged to undertake long-term research internships at major partner institutions, such as WHO, European Center of Health and Social Alliance Scotland.



Photo 1 (on the left side): Winner of the Competition for Main ESR position in FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program - Jovana Brkić, MSc., Serbia

Photo 2 (on the right side): J. Brkić (on the right side) with Dr.D. Fialová, PharmD., PhD., Chair of FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program (on the left side) and Assoc. Prof. J. Roh, PharmD., Ph.D, Vice-Dean for Doctoral Studies, Science and Research, Faculty of Pharmacy, Charles University (in the middle).



Researchers from participating countries that received awards of "Participants in the network of FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program":



Andreas Capiou, MSc., University of Ghent, Belgium



Konstantin Tachkov, MSc., (represented by Maria Kamusheva, Ph.D.), University of Sofia, Bulgaria



Andrea Brajković, MSc., University of Zagreb, Croatia



Pranvera Apostoli, MSc., Regulatory Affairs Manager in Profarma, Albania



Silvia Grešáková, MSc., Charles University, Faculty of Pharmacy, Czech Republic



Veera Bobrova, MSc., University of Tartu, Estonia



Donatas Grina, MSc., Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania



Erik Puchoň, PharmD. Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia,



Zuzana Haramiová, PharmD. Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia



Senior Advisor- Prof. Cristín Ryan, PharmD., PhD, Trinity College, Ireland

Researchers that could not attend the Opening ceremony, but will be also involved in scientific works on FIP7 program in the EUROAGEISM project in other countries:



Ilknur Ince, MSc., University of Istanbul, Turkey

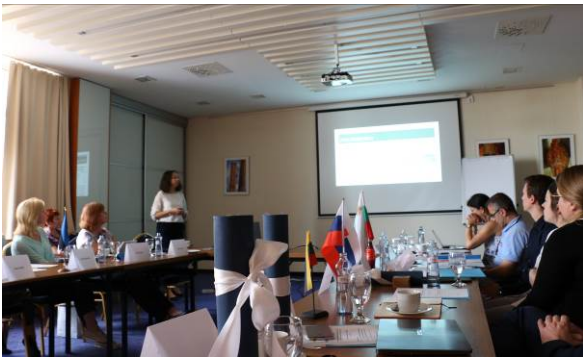


Deepak K. Bandari, PharmD., India- Telengana Hospital and Ph.D. student at the Faculty of Pharm., Charles University



João Pedro Teixeira Aguiar, MSc., University of Lisbon, Portugal

Photos from ESR presentations and Diploma awards ceremony:



At the meeting in Bratislava, activities and milestones of FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program on inappropriate prescribing and availability of medication safety and medication management services were presented, discussed and planned for the next four years. The second day of the meeting was devoted to the training of ESRs in research protocols and study methodology. Informal part of the meeting included also group dinners in a beautiful environment of Bratislava restaurants.

Photos from FIP7 meeting of the EUROAGEISM H2020 project, 28- 29th June 2018, hotel Tatra, Bratislava:



Group photo of participants of the Opening Ceremony of FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program in hotel Tatra, Bratislava, 28th – 29th June, 2018:



For the organizing team:

Andrea Vokálová, MSc. – FIP7 EUROAGEISM H2020 program manager

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