EFNS Academy for Young Neurologists
4th Course

May 9 – 14, 2003
Hotel Bezděz, Staré Splavy
Czech Republic
Ninety one participants from 24 countries expressed their full satisfaction with all details of the course: scientific, social as well as organizational. About 12 colleagues expected did not arrive without any explanation and the same number apologized on grounds of bureaucractic complications in their travel documents. Sorry, that all these places could not be occupied by those, who had surpassed the capacity in the preparatory phase. 11 faculty speakers from 6 countries found the audience as being dedicated, well disciplined, active and eager to absorb all the available knowledge in morning sessions as well as in the afternoon workshops. About 10 participants contributed in the workshops by their own cases or by prepared studies on the topic, done in their departments (e.g. Tbilisi, Kazan, Moscow, Chisinau, Brasov etc.). These were commented by our speakers.

The participants took back home a syllabus of 102 pages with high quality texts, EFNS directories on CD and announcements of our upcoming congresses in Helsinki and Paris 2004, 25 pieces of Educational slide sets on Subarachnoid haemorrhage for University teaching, EFNS bags, pencils, EFNS note-pads and Newsletters. They also picked up several decades of older copies of Neurology.

A substantial help was the coverage of flight tickets of speakers by MDS - Europe (including sponsorship of the British Association of neurologists).

Later feedback from Budapest, Prof. Szirmai, chairman.
"I would like to congratulate to you for the success of the EFNS Academy which has been held in Staré Splavy. My assistants talked enthusiastically about the high level scientific programme and the pleasant hospitality of the organizers. I checked the Syllabus of the lectures and I was also personally convinced, that this was the best meeting since the founding of the continuous education programme. Something else: your slides set on Subarachnoid bleeding is excellent. I will use it in our English graduate education."

from Moscow, Prof. Skvortsova, chairman
"First of all, allow me to thank you for very interesting and useful educational programme, which you have organized for our young doctors.
I heard a lot of warmest and enthusiastic words to address of yours and your colleagues from my postgraduates."

many others were similar

Thanks to all of you for the positive attitude to our course.

In winter 2002 the castle of Zahrádky burnt out with a huge loss of harboured values. We had to look for a new place for our concert. Thanks to a kind understanding of Dr Leo Dvořáček, dean and administrator of the St.Bartolomeus' church in the nearby Doksy, we could make it true in this church. In addition to our young neurologists also 80 local people attended the concert. Students from Pardubice, H. Mochanová, J. Tihelka, M. Dvořáková, J. Dvořák and K. Matlasová played J. Haydn, F. Danzi, D. Milhaud and V. Trojan. The church, built originaly in 1638 has been reconstructed in 18. century. To its most valued objects belongs the statue of Maria of Montserrat (Black Madonna) from 1635. Also the organ of 1628 is of outstanding value.
SUMMARY:

**Participants:** 91 neurologists from 24 countries
Albania - 4, Austria – 1, Belarus – 3, Bosnia and Herzegovina – 2, Bulgaria – 1, Croatia – 4, Czech Republic – 2, Estonia - 1, Georgia – 3, Germany – 1, Hungary - 4, Italy – 3, Latvia – 5, Lithuania – 3, Moldova – 4, Poland – 11, Romania – 2, Russia – 13, Serbia and Montenegro 9, Slovak Republic – 4, Turkey – 1, Ukraine – 6, Azerbaijan – 3, Uzbekistan – 1
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Greece - 3 applications (cancelled)

**Lecturers:** 11: Austria – 2, Czech Republic - 2, France – 1, Italy - 1, Norway – 2, UK - 3

**Lectures:** 3 topics
Neurooncology
Movement disorders
Neuroimmunology
INVITED LECTURES - 2003

NEUROONCOLOGY
Vakis Papanastassiou, Glasgow: Gliomas
Wolfgang Grisold, Vienna: Brain metastases
Guido Cavaletti, Monza: Neurological complications of antineoplastic therapy
Stefan Oberndorfer, Vienna: Spinal metastases
Anette Storstein, Bergen: Paraneoplastic syndromes

MOVEMENT DISORDERS
Marie Vidailhet, Paris: Basal ganglia lesions
Thomas T. Warner, London: Dystonia diagnosis and treatment
Jan Roth, Prague: Huntington disease and other choreatic syndromes: clinical considerations

NEUROIMMUNOLOGY
Eva Havrdová, Prague: Neuroimmunology of multiple sclerosis
Hugh J. Willison, Glasgow: Immune mechanisms in peripheral nerve diseases
Nils Erik Gilhus, Bergen: The neuromuscular junction as a target for immunological disorders

List of participants - 2003

ALBANIA - Gentian Vyshka, Tirana, Silvana Mijo, Tirana, Diana Naco, Tirana, Endrit Shehu, Tirana
AUSTRIA - Konstantin Tögel, Vienna
BELARUS - Mikalai Bialiauski, Vitebsk, Tatsiana Shamava, Grodno, Aliaksandr Boika, Brest
BOSNIA and HERZEGOWINA - Sinisa Miljkovic, Banjaluka, Vlado Djajic, Banjaluka
BULGARIA - Emilia Damianova, Sofia
CROATIA – Lidija Dezmalj Grbelja, Zagreb, Ervin Jancic, Zagreb, Ružica Palić, Osijek, Sanja Svalina, Zagreb
CZECH REPUBLIC - Petr Munzar, Pardubice, Jozef Zákopčan, Brno
ESTONIA - Heli Penu, Pärnu
GEORGIA - George Chakhava, Tbilisi, Irene Khatiashvili, Tbilisi, Pati Dzotsenidze, Tbilisi
GERMANY - Johann Sellner, Heidelberg
HUNGARY – Anita Csillik, Budapest, Edina Vitaszil, Budapest, Ilona Amrein, Budapest, Ferenc Nagy, Budapest
ITALY - Giorgio Di Raimondo, Messina, Gaetano Gorgone, Messina, Carol Di Perri, Messina
LATVIA - Ligita Smelerte, Riga, Zane Delina, Riga, Sandra Vestermane, Riga, Larisa Svirska, Riga, Ruta Plotniece, Riga
LITHUANIA - Aleksandras Vilionskis, Vilnius, Ingrīda Braciuliene, Vilnius, Ruta Kaladyte Lokominiene, Vilnius
MOLDOVA - Catalina Guranda, Chisinau, Dorina Tiple, Chisinau, Evelina Cibotaru-Gherghelegiu, Chisinau, Lilia Rotaru, Chisinau
ROMANIA - Cristian Falup-Pecurariu, Brasov, Alina G.F. Dumitriu, Bucharest
RUSSIA - Irina Kovaleva, Moscow, Nicolay A. Pavlov, Moscow, Oxana Globa, Moscow, Yuri Bykov, Irkutsk, Irina A. Platonova, Moscow, Nikolay Shamalov, Moscow, Zouleykha Zalyalova, Kazan, Elena Vostriкова, Novosibirsk, Ivan Fokin, Moscow, Andrei Sukhanov, Novosibirsk, Alexandra Trubacheva, St. Petersburg, Olga Bykova, Moscow, Angelina A. Sergeeva, Petrozavodsk
SERBIA and MONTENEGRO - Marija Knezevic-Pogancev, Novi Sad, Tihomir Ilic, Belgrade, Marija Semnic, Novi Sad, Ana Vujic, Belgrade, Mirjana Jovićević, Novi Sad, Svetlana Ružička, Novi Sad, Andjelka Ilic, Nis, Aleksandra Lucic-Prokin, Novi Sad, Milija Mijajlović, Belgrade
SLOVAKIA - Viera Hančinová, Bratislava, Silvia Mehešová, Bratislava, Dáša Nováková, Bratislava, Denis Richter, Bratislava
TURKEY - A. Kemal Erdemoglu, Kirikkale
UKRAINE - Irina Lipko, Kyiv, Lilia Zvyagina, Odessa, Albina Tretyakova, Kyiv, Iryna Levchenko, Kharkov, Leonid Marushchenko, Kyiv, Andrii Shaverskyi, Kyiv
AZERBAIJAN - Irada Musayeva, Baku, Arzu Alieva, Baku, Gulshan Guliyeva, Baku
UZBEKISTAN - Khusnora Makhkamova, Tashkent

*St. Bartholomew’s Church, Doksy*