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WORK EXPERIENCE

Head of hospital pharmacy

General hospital „dr. Tomislav Bardek“ Koprivnica [10/2013 – Current]

City: Koprivnica

Country: Croatia

- President of Drug and Therapeutics Committee
- Lead clinical pharmacist in antimicrobial stewardship team (A-team)
- Finding solutions for medicine and medical device shortages and managing procurement
- Helping in solving pharmacotherapy problems as a part of inter- and multi-disciplinary team

Hospital pharmacist

General hospital „dr. Tomislav Bardek“ Koprivnica [07/2010 – Current]

Country: Croatia

- First clinical pharmacist as part of the first comprehensive Croatian A-team (from September 1, 2017) with the results presented to the Ministry of Health and hospital directors in April 25, 2018.
- Active member of the Committee for Nosocomial Infections and the Committee for Quality since 2011
- Helping with my expertise in creating national and public tenders for medicines and medical devices

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

PhD student

University of Zagreb, Faculty of Pharmacy and Biochemistry [10/2015 – Current]

City: Zagreb

Country: Croatia

- investigating effectiveness of A-team on the rationalization of antimicrobial therapy and the reduction of antimicrobial resistance in primary health care (PHC) by educating PHC physicians
- researching the rationalization of antimicrobial therapy by A-team with the optimization of pharmacotherapy in the hospital environment
- researching patients' perspectives on drug shortages in the hospital environment and other topics related to drug shortages

Specialist in clinical pharmacy - hospital setting

Ministry of health, General hospital „dr. Tomislav Bardek“ Koprivnica [08/2012 – 09/2015]

City: Zagreb, Koprivnica

Country: Croatia

University clinical pharmacist - univ.mag.pharm.

University of Zagreb, Faculty of Pharmacy and Biochemistry [04/2013 – 04/2016]

City: Zagreb

Country: Croatia

- topic of the specialist thesis: *Interventions of a clinical pharmacist in the therapy of hospitalized patients at abdominal surgery in the General hospital "Dr. Tomislav Bardek" in Koprivnica*

Licensed pharmacist

City pharmacies Zagreb [05/2009 – 05/2010]

Address: Draškovićeva 13, 10 000 Zagreb (Croatia)

- Pripravnički staž

Pharmacist with finished undergraduate education

University of Zagreb, Faculty of Pharmacy and Biochemistry [10/2002 – 01/2009]

City: Zagreb

Country: Croatia

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): **Croatian**

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING C2 READING C2 WRITING C2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B1 SPOKEN INTERACTION B2

German

LISTENING A2 READING A2 WRITING A2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A2 SPOKEN INTERACTION A2

French

LISTENING A1 READING A1 WRITING A1

SPOKEN PRODUCTION A1 SPOKEN INTERACTION A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

DIGITAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office / Outlook / Google Docs / Google Drive / Social Media / Team-work oriented / Internet user

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Award for outstanding achievement in the field of hospital pharmacy

Croatian Pharmaceutical Society (HFD) [2015]

EAHP Good practices initiative (GPI) award

European association of hospital pharmacists [24/03/2023]

Četković Z, Rajinac D, Baralić I, Marković J, Kuruc Poje D, Kota M, Urh Š, Tegelj I, Bizjak V, Mitrić D, Kovačević T, Pečet A, Radivojša I, Filkova S, Bašić-Milošević V. Good Practices Initiative (GPI) poster PSQ12108 - Software tool development for preparation and administration of parenteral antibiotics in hospitals – An international project. 27th Annual Congress of the EAHP, Lisbon, Portugal, 22-24 March 2023. (The Scientific Committee selected this project as a GPI Award the 1000+ submissions received.)

MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Vice-president of European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP)

Vice-president

- Main focus on
 - students,
 - antimicrobial stewardship,

- medical devices,
- medicine shortages,
- sustainability,
- digital health
- other emerging issues (including policy) related to hospital pharmacy

ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

Organisational skills

- Board Member (Director of Professional Development) of the European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP) from July 2021
- Appointed by the EAHP as an expert for revision of safety communication of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) from June 2020
- Appointed permanent external associate in Committee for Drug Safety at National competent authority (HALMED) from 2020
- President of Committee for hospital pharmacy at Croatian Chamber of Pharmacists (HLJK) 2020 - 2024
- Coordinator
 - for Croatia for the COST project called:
 - CA15105 European Medicines Shortages Research Network - addressing supply problems to patients (Medicines Shortages) 2016 -2020.
 - for the General Hospital "Dr. Tomislav Bardek" for the pilot project called:
 - Patient Safety and Quality of Care (PaSQ) regarding Medication reconciliation 2014-2016
- Good organizational skills acquired as a member of the Committee for Clinical Pharmacy, responsible for planning the first and second Croatian Congress of Clinical Pharmacy with international participation in 2014 and 2017, as well as organizing an expert meeting in 2018 to share experiences on antimicrobial stewardship to all interested hospital managers and their teams

JOB-RELATED SKILLS

Job-related skills

- Knowledge of quality control: official internal auditor for health care (acquired license EN ISO 9001: 2015)
- Team skills:
 - part of the working group for the Counterfeit Medicines Directive (FMD 2011/62 / EU) as well as technical advisor since December 2016 at the Croatian Chamber of Pharmacists (HLJK) and the European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP)
 - proposal of a new model of professional development of pharmacists in Croatia at HLJK
 - development of a strategy for the development of clinical pharmacy in Croatia at HLJK
- Mentoring skills:
 - pharmacist on specialization in clinical pharmacy - hospital setting
 - pharmacy students - internship in a part of a hospital pharmacy
 - pharmaceutical technicians - trainees

PUBLICATIONS

Harvard CME course Infectious Diseases in Adults 2019, Boston, Massachusetts, USA, April 2019

Research articles

- [Kuruc Poje D](#), Kuharić M, Posavec Andrić A, Mađarić V, Poje JV, Payerl-Pal M, Tambić Andrašević A, Poje JM, Bačić Vrca V, Marušić S. Perspectives of primary care physicians on academic detailing for antimicrobial stewardship: feasibility and impact assessment. J Int Med Res. 2024 Jan;52(1):3000605231222242. doi: 10.1177/03000605231222242.
- [Kuruc Poje D](#), Miljković N, Polidori P, Kohl S. Infectious diseases and antimicrobial resistance. Eur J Hosp Pharm. 2023 Sep 1:ejhpharm-2023-003920. doi: 10.1136/ejhpharm-2023-003920. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 37657919.
- van der Schors T, Lozano-Blázquez A, [Kuruc Poje D](#), Miljković N, Süle A, Kohl S. Digital health. Eur J Hosp Pharm. 2023 Sep 1:ejhpharm-2023-003918. doi: 10.1136/ejhpharm-2023-003918. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 37657918.

- Kuruc Poje D, Kifer D, Huys I, et al. Patients perspectives on drug shortages in six European hospital settings - a cross sectional study. *BMC Health Serv Res*. 2021;21(1):689. Published 2021 Jul 12. doi:10.1186/s12913-021-06721-9
- Kuruc Poje D, Mađarić V, Janeš Poje V, et al. Antimicrobial stewardship effectiveness on rationalizing the use of last line of antibiotics in a short period with limited human resources: a single centre cohort study. *BMC Res Notes* 12, 531 (2019). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s13104-019-4572-x>
- Miljković N, Godman B, van Overbeeke E, Kovačević M, Tsiakitzis K, Apatsidou A, Nikopoulou A, Yubero CG, Portillo Horcajada L, Stemer G, Kuruc-Poje D, De Rijdt T, Bochenek T, Huys I and Miljković B (2020) Risks in Antibiotic Substitution Following Medicine Shortage: A Health-Care Failure Mode and Effect Analysis of Six European Hospitals. *Front. Med.* 7:157. doi: 10.3389/fmed.2020.00157
- Miljković N, Godman B, Kovačević M, ... Kuruc-Poje D...et al. Prospective Risk Assessment of Medicine Shortages in Europe and Israel: Findings and Implications. *Front Pharmacol.* 2020;11:357. Published 2020 Mar 26. doi:10.3389/fphar.2020.00357
- Kuruc Poje D, Mađarić V, Janeš Poje V, Marušić S. Clinical Pharmacist's Role in Administering Antimicrobial Medicines. *Croatian Journal of Infection [Internet]*. 2018 [cited 2020 May 22];38(4):103-108. Available from: <https://hrcak.srce.hr/227789>

Case report

- Kuruc Poje D, Božina N, Šimičević L, Žabić I. Severe hyperglycaemia following pazopanib treatment: The role of drug-drug-gene interactions in a patient with metastatic renal cell carcinoma-A case report. *Journal of Clinical Pharmacy and Therapeutics*. 2020. 45:4; 628-631. DOI: 10.1111/jcpt.13160.

Chapter in the book

- Kuruc Poje D, Sertić M. *The responsibility of clinical pharmacist in antimicrobial stewardship team*. Book: Kosalec et al. *Antimicrobial resistance - challenges and solutions*. BONES, Samobor, 2021. (available only in Croatian)
- Kuruc Poje D. *Patients perspectives on medicines shortages in hospital setting*. Book: A. P. Barbosa-Povoa et al. (eds.): *Pharmaceutical Supply Chains—Medicines Shortages*. Springer Nature Switzerland AG, 2019

Participant of HOPE exchange programme - Unicancer Jean Perrin hospital, Clermont Ferrand, France

[08/05/2016 – 05/06/2016]

Guest lecturer at Croatian and international congresses, symposia, workshops, meetings and seminars

the latest are:

1. Kuruc Poje D. The role of a hospital pharmacist in the management of neurodegenerative diseases. 44th European Pharmaceutical Students' Association (EPSA) Annual Congress, Podčetrtek, Slovenia, 17-23 April 2023.
2. Kuruc Poje D. Workshop on: What infection has got to do with neurodegenerative disease? 44th European Pharmaceutical Students' Association (EPSA) Annual Congress, Podčetrtek, Slovenia, 17-23 April 2023.
3. Četković Z, Rajinac D, Baralić I, Marković J, Kuruc Poje D, Kota M, Urh Š, Tegelj I, Bizjak V, Mitrić D, Kovačević T, Pečet A, Radivojša I, Filkova S, Bašić-Milošević V. Good Practices Initiative (GPI) poster PSQ12108 - Software tool development for preparation and administration of parenteral antibiotics in hospitals – An international project. 27th Annual Congress of the EAHP, Lisbon, Portugal, 22-24 March 2023. (The Scientific Committee selected this project as a GPI Award the 1000+ submissions received.)
4. White Paper Launch Event: 'Digitalisation of Medication Management in Healthcare Settings: a KEY opportunity for the European Union. Brussels, active participation in panel discussion, European parliament, Belgium, 29.November 2022.
5. Kuruc Poje D, Šepec L, Posavec Andrić A, Mađarić V, Vuljak S. Use antibiotics responsibly and consciously. Lecture regarding European awareness day 2022 and World antimicrobial awareness week (WAAW) 2022. Croatian Physicians Association Koprivnica branch, Koprivnica, Croatia, 15 November 2022.
6. V Mađarić, D Kuruc Poje, V Janeš Poje, V Dulikravić, K Todrovska, L Šepec. COVID-19 - the cause of the increase in antimicrobial resistance and the threat to the "Antimicrobial stewardship" in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at the Koprivnica General Hospital, Fourth Joint Congress CROCMID 2022, Šibenik, Croatia, 20.-23. October 2022

7. Z Četković, D Rajinac, I Baralić, J Marković, D Kuruc Poje, Š Urh, I Tegelj, A Pečet, I Radivojša, S Filkova, V Bašić-Milošević. *Assessment of knowledge, attitudes and practices regarding antibiotic reconstitution among healthcare professionals in 12 southeastern european hospitals: a multicentre cross-sectional study*. Poster at the 26th EAHP Annual Congress for the hospital pharmacy profession, 23rd – 25th March 2022, Vienna, Austria
8. Kuruc Poje D. *Clinical trials and guidelines*. Seventh Congress of Students of Pharmacy and Medical Biochemistry of Croatia (CPSA), online conference, October 2021.
9. Sule Andras, Kuruc Poje D. *Hospital pharmacy in 21st century*. 1st Croatian Virtual Congress of Oncology Pharmacy, online conference, October 2021.
10. Kuruc Poje D, Mađarić V, Janeš Poje V, Bačić Vrca V, Marušić S. *Challenges and opportunities of the hospital antimicrobial stewardship team*. Annual Conference of Croatian Pharmacists with International Participation (PharmaCRO 2021), online conference, September 2021

Active participation from 2018

1. Write hKuruc Poje D, Mađarić V, Janeš Poje V, Marušić S. *Role of clinical pharmacist in antimicrobial stewardship team (A-team)*. 6. CROATIAN CONGRESS ON PHARMACY with international participation, Dubrovnik, Croatia, April 2019
 2. Kuruc Poje D, Miljković N, Jenzer H, Miranda J, Huys I, Tzimis L, Marušić S. *Medicines Shortages and Patients Perspectives in Hospital Setting*. 6. CROATIAN CONGRESS ON PHARMACY with international participation, Dubrovnik, Croatia, April 2019
 3. Kuruc Poje D. *Insights into Patients Perspectives on Medicines Shortages in Hospital Setting in different European countries*. COST Action15105 WG3 Meeting, Leuven, Belgium, March 2019
 4. Kuruc Poje D, Mađarić V, Janeš Poje V. *Hospital pharmacist - member of a multidisciplinary antimicrobial stewardship team*. 3rd Symposium on Hospital Pharmacy Practice in Serbia. 1st EAHP Synergy Certification Course, Belgrade, Serbia, February 2019
 5. Kuruc Poje D. *Antimicrobial resistance*. Conference on "15 years of Croatian Agency for Medicinal Products and Medical Devices: (retro)perspective", Zagreb, Croatia, November 2018
 6. Kuruc Poje D. *Patients perspectives on medicines shortages in hospital setting*. COST Action15105 WG3 Meeting, Brussels, Belgium, November 2018
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