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PROGRAMME

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Rīga, Latvia



RĪGA STRADIŅŠ
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Welcome greetings



Dear Distinguished Guests, Colleagues and Participants,

I am honoured to extend a gracious welcome to the Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology of the Rīga Stradiņš University for the 11th International Baltic Morphology Meeting. This event has become a cornerstone in the field of morphology. This meeting brings together leading experts and researchers from various countries and places to share their knowledge and insights.

Today, we stand on the brink of exciting discoveries that will shape the future of morphology. The 11th Baltic Morphology Meeting, with its unique ability to bridge disciplines and foster interdisciplinary collaboration, is not just a key player in this future, but a catalyst for it. By integrating knowledge from various fields, we can achieve a more comprehensive understanding of complex medical fields. I encourage all of you to take full advantage of this opportunity to share your knowledge, exchange ideas, and forge new collaborations. The discussions and interactions during this meeting can potentially lead to significant advancements in our understanding of morphology and its applications across different disciplines, thereby shaping the future of the field in ways we can only begin to imagine.

I wish all the attendees a productive and inspiring meeting. May your time here be filled with insightful discussions, new partnerships, and groundbreaking discoveries.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication, boundless passion, and invaluable contributions. Your efforts are shaping the future of morphology and inspiring others in the field. We are deeply grateful for your commitment and look forward to the groundbreaking discoveries that will emerge from this meeting.

AIGARS PĒTERSONS
Professor, Dr. med., Dr. habil. med.,
Rīga Stradiņš University Rector



Dear colleagues and guests,

It is a great honour to welcome you to the 11th Baltic Morphology Meeting, a special gathering that has become a key tradition in our field since the restoration of independence. Riga proudly revived these meetings, and this year marks the fourth time it is hosted in our city, as well as the first time after the Covid-19 pandemic.

We are delighted to have participants from 11 countries, and over the next two intense days, we will enjoy 42 oral presentations and 40 posters. This year's meeting extends its focus beyond the Baltic region, showcasing important European collaborations and advancing morphology research across borders.

I am particularly thrilled to see so many young researchers contributing fresh perspectives and innovation to the field. Their involvement ensures a bright future for morphology.

Thank you for joining us in Riga, and I wish you a successful and inspiring conference.
Warm regards,

JANA PAVĀRE
Professor, *Dr. med.*,
Dean of Faculty of Medicine,
Rīga Stradiņš University



Distinguished Guests, Colleagues, and Friends,

Good afternoon and welcome to the 11th Baltic Morphology Meeting here in the beautiful city of Riga and in the old and modern at the same time Anatomicum! It is my great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to each and every one of you.

First and foremost, I would like to express our deepest gratitude to all who have traveled from near and far to join us for this gathering, that's renewed again after the Covid pandemic. Your commitment to advancing the field of morphology is truly inspiring. This year's meeting promises to be an exciting and enriching experience.

Our gathering is not only about sharing knowledge but also about building connections and strengthening the bonds within our professional community. May this meeting be a source of inspiration, growth, and long (life) lasting connections! May you have time to look also at Riga and our historical expositions of Anatomicum/Museum of Anatomy and enjoy the points where the previous 100 years' values meet the nowadays usage!

Once again, welcome to Riga and the 11th Baltic Morphology Meeting. I wish you a successful and memorable conference.

MĀRA PILMANE
Professor, *Dr. med., Dr. habil. med.*
Director, Institute of the Anatomy and Anthropology
Head, Department of Morphology
Riga Stradiņš University
Full member, Latvian Academy of Sciences

Organizing committee



Head of the Meeting – Professor **Māra Pilmane**
Director of the Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology,
Riga Stradiņš University, Full member of the Latvian
Academy of Sciences.



Meeting secretary – **Līga Hartpenga**
Experienced project manager with a demonstrated history of
working in the event industry, Rīga Stradiņš University.



Member of the Meeting organising committee –
Associate professor **Dzintra Kažoka**
Human anatomy tutor and coordinator of the Study (Anatomy)
Division at the Department of Morphology of the Institute of
Anatomy and Anthropology, Rīga Stradiņš University.



Member of the Meeting organising committee –
Assistant professor **Anna Junga**
Researcher at the Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology,
assistant professor of the Department of Morphology and head of
the Laboratory of Morphology, Rīga Stradiņš University.



Meeting coordinator – **Daiga Enkuzena**
Daiga Enkuzena has been holding the office manager's
position at the Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology,
Rīga Stradiņš University.



Meeting coordinator – **Dārta Cīrule**
Dārta Cīrule joined the Department of Morphology,
Rīga Stradiņš University, as a study process coordinator.

Scientific committee



Professor **Māra Pilmane**, *Dr. med, Dr. habil. med.*
Head of the Meeting, Director of the RSU Institute
of Anatomy and Anthropology.
Full member of the Latvian Academy of Sciences.



Professor **Jānis Vētra**, *Dr. habil. med.*
RSU Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology.



Associate professor **Dzintra Kažoka**, *Dr. med.*
Human anatomy tutor and coordinator of the Study (Anatomy)
Division at the Department of Morphology of the RSU Institute
of Anatomy and Anthropology.



Andrejs Ivanovs, MD, MSc, PhD, MRCP(UK), FRCPath
Consultant haematologist at the Edinburgh Cancer Centre, a tertiary
care oncology centre in Scotland. Dr. Ivanovs is specialising in
lymphoid malignancies and cellular immunotherapy.

First day

13/11/2024

**Anatomicum Theatre –
Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology
(Blvd. Kronvalda 9, Riga, Latvia)**

18.00 – 18.35

Welcome Greetings and Welcome Lecture

Chairman **Māra Pilmane**
(1st auditorium)

18.00 – 18.15	Welcome Greetings	Aigars Pētersons , Rector of RSU Jana Pavāre , Dean of RSU Medical faculty Māra Pilmane , Director of the RSU Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology, Head of the meeting
18.15 – 18.35	Welcome Lecture	Ojārs Spārītis , Academy of Arts of Latvia, Latvia “ <i>Deus ex Machina</i> ” or moving sculptures in the interior of Lutheran churches of Latvia
18.40 – 21.00		Welcome buffet (Anatomicum Chapel Hall)

Second day

14/11/2024

**Anatomicum Theatre –
Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology
(Blvd. Kronvalda 9, Riga, Latvia)**

9.00 – 11.10

PLENARY lectures

Chairman **Mara Pilmane**
(1st auditorium)

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| 9.00 – 9.30 | Andrejs Ivanovs, Edinburgh Cancer Centre, United Kingdom
Immunophenotype and gene expression analysis of the earliest human haematopoietic stem cells |
| 9.30 – 10.10 | Dainius Haroldas Pauža, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania
Neuroanatomy of the heart |
| 10.10 – 10.40 | Michał Polgaj, Medical University of Lodz, Poland
Vascular variations at abdomen and thorax – description of three main topics as the important aspects of clinical anatomy |
| 10.40. – 11.10 | Pavlo Fedirko, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Ukraine
Fedirko P., Pilmane M., Riga Stradiņš University.
Ionizing radiation and the eye: epidemiological studies and new approaches to correlating functional and morphological damage |

11.10 – 11.30

Coffee break
(Anatomicum Chapel Hall)

11.30 – 13.10

ORAL presentations

(Parallel sections)

Chairmen:

Dainius Pauža, Andres Arend
(1st auditorium)

Chairmen:

Valērija Groma, David Kachlik
(2nd auditorium)

11.30 – 11.50

Janina Tutkuvienė,
Vilnius University, Lithuania
Tutkuvienė J., Gervickaitė S., Tutkus J.,
Stukaitė-Ruibile E., Barkus A.,
Almonaitiene R., Šimkūnaitė-
Rizgelienė R. Secular trend in general
size and shape parameters of head and
face of Lithuanian adolescents during
1965–2015 period

Kristaps Dambergs,
Riga Stradiņš University, Latvia
Dambergs K., Segliņa G., Pilmane M.
Morphological comparison of paediatric
and adult acquired cholesteatoma

11.50 – 12.10	Māra Pilmane, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Facial cleft basic research in Latvia: search for the best methods and directions	Rūdolfs Jānis Viķsne, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Viķsne R. J., Segliņa G., Pilmane M. Endotypes of chronic rhinosinusitis with primary and recurring nasal polyps in the Latvian population
12.10 – 12.30	Anna Junga, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Junga A., Pilmane M. Evaluation of TGFβ1, HGF, FGF-2, FGFR1 and apoptosis in placentas of various gestational ages	David Kachlik, <i>Charles University, Czech Republic</i> Kachlik D., Khadanovich A., Herma T., Benes M., Kaiser R. Variations of the sensory nerves of the dorsal aspect of the forearm and hand
12.30 – 12.50	Jānis Vētra, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Research ethics of morphological studies	Piret Hussar, <i>University of Tartu, Estonia</i> Hussar P., Allmang C., Popvska- Percinic F., Dürītis I., Järveots T. Comparative study of sodium-dependent glucose co-transporters in kidneys in norm and in T-2 mycotoxicosis
12.50 – 13.10	Mārtiņš Vaivads, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Vaivads M., Akota I., Pilmane M. Investigation of genes and gene proteins in cleft affected tissue	Hermanas Inokaitis, <i>Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania</i> Inokaitis H., Paužiene N., Pauža D. H. Insights for the usage of rats, rabbits and pigs as animal models in the improvement of treatment methods for heart arrhythmia
13.10 – 14.45	<p style="text-align: center;">Lunch (Anatomicum Chapel Hall)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Guided tour in the newly established Museum of Anatomy (in the Anatomicum backyard)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Common photo of meeting participants (on the stairs of Anatomicum between the 1st and 2nd floor opposite the fresca, gathering - 14.30)</p>	

14.45 – 16.15**ORAL presentations**

Chairmen: **Marina Aunapuu, Jānis Vētra**
(1st auditorium)

14.45 – 15.00	Boriss Štrumfs, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia Štrumfs B., Šinkarevs S., Uljanovs R., Štrumfa I. Modern light microscopy techniques: overcoming the diffraction limit
15.00 – 15.15	Jonas Tutkus, Vilnius University, Lithuania Tutkus J., Gervickaitė S., Barkus A., Tutkuvienė J., Šimkūnaitė-Rizgelienė R. Dynamics in the eyes, nose and lips areas of Lithuanian men from 4 to 30 years of age in relation to the size and shape of the craniofacial complex
15.15 – 15.30	Romans Uljanovs, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia Uljanovs R., Vidusa L., Štrumfs B., Merkurjeva K., Štrumfa I. Hotspot pattern in parathyroid pathology: implications for pathogenesis and diagnostics
15.30 – 15.45	Dins Sumerags, Cesu Klinika Hospital, Latvia Sumerags D., Pilmane M., Segliņa G. Etiopathogenetic mechanisms of vocal nodules and Reinke's edema development and their morphopathological manifestations

- 15.45 – 16.00** **Sofija Semenistaja, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Semenistaja S., Sokolovska L., Studers P., Kadiša A., Groma V., Skuja S.
Cartilage degradation and synovial inflammation in osteoarthritis progression:
morphological and molecular analysis
- 16.00 – 16.15** **Agne Misiute, Vilnius University, Lithuania**
Misiute A., Tutkuvienė J., Nedzinskiene L. Comparison of body mass index, body
image and self-esteem among women aged 25–65 before COVID-19,
during the first and second quarantine in Lithuania

16.15 – 17.30 **Coffee break (Anatomicum Chapel Hall)**
and

- 16.15 – 17.30** **POSTER viewing**
(the 1st or the 2nd floor of Anatomicum;
see the poster number in the Program)
1. **Asare Lāsma, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Asare L., Vetra J., Ivanovs A. Analysis of arm span to height ratio in Latvian
residents from different regions based on 1930s data
 2. **Brikune Elizabete, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Brikune E., Pilmane M. Characterization of the pro-inflammatory, regulatory
and anti-inflammatory cytokines of placenta in different gestation times
 3. **Buile Dace, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Buile D., Pilmane M., Akota I. Differences of tissue factors in bone and
cartilage between first-time and re-operated patients affected by facial clefts
 4. **Čepuliene Ramune, Vilnius University, Lithuania**
Čepuliene R., Miliauskienė Z., Tutkus V., Šimkūnaitė-Rizgelienė R., Vosyliute
R., Nedzinskiene L., Tutkuvienė J. In-person and remote anatomy studies,
application of digital tools in anatomy teaching: a comparative study
 5. **Damanskienė Eligija, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania**
Damanskienė E., Balnytė I., Valančiūtė A., Stakišaitis D. Experimental
comparative study of dichloroacetate salts and temozolomide effects
on pediatric glioblastoma in vivo and in vitro
 6. **Diržiuvienė Raminta, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania**
Diržiuvienė R., Šlekiene L., Palubinskienė J., Balnytė I., Lasiene K.,
Stakišaitis D., Valančiūtė A. Lung cancer cell tumors respond differently to
the treatment with sodium valproate in the chicken embryo chorioallantoic
membrane model
 7. **Edelmers Edgars, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Edelmers E., Fišere I. Deep learning-based software for automated cell
detection and counting in whole-slide histological image analysis
 8. **Fedirko Pavlo, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Ukraine**
Fedirko P., Pilmane M., Rīga Stradiņš University, Babenko T., Garkava N.,
Dorichevska R. Changes in the vitreous body in residents of radiation-
contaminated areas in the early period after a radiation disaster
 9. **Grabčika Arta, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Grabčika A., Kažoka D., Vētra J. Craniofacial metrics of children aged
1–15 years in Latvia

10. **Jakovļevs Arvīds**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Jakovļevs A. Histological analysis of chondrosarcoma in an uncommon cranial location: a case report
11. **Juknevičienė Milda**, *Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania*
 Juknevičienė M., Balnytė I., Valančiūtė A., Stakišaitis D. Effects of long-term treatment with a combination of valproic acid and sodium dichloroacetate in rats
12. **Kažoka Dzintra**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Kažoka D., Pilmane M. Human olecranon parameters and shapes variability: insights from “Anatomage” study
13. **Kažoka Dzintra**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Kažoka D., Pilmane M. Variability in ear morphology among virtual human bodies: insights from digital measurements
14. **Lapeikis Ignas**, *Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania*
 Lapeikis I., Rysevaite-Kyguoliene K., Malinauskas M., Paužiene N. Morphological changes of angiotensin II type 2 receptor at myenteric plexuses of diverticular disease in the human gastrointestinal tract
15. **Lasiene Kristina**, *Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania*
 Lasiene K., Radzeviciute S., Gasiliunas D., Juodziukyniene N., Zilaitiene B., Dabužinskiene A. Morphometrical parameters of 31–35-year-old men testes
16. **Martinsons-Bērzkalne Liene**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Martinsone-Bērzkalne L., Umbraško S., Asare L. Results of arterial blood pressure in pre-school aged children in Rīga region
17. **Namm Aimar**, *University of Tartu, Estonia*
 Namm A., Arend A., Torga T., Aunapuu M. Spatially and temporally restricted expression of BMP-2 and Shh during early development of human embryo spinal cord
18. **Naumovs Vladimirs**, *“Gintermuiža” Hospital, Latvia*
 Naumovs V., Skuja S., Groma V. Expression of NaV1.2 in the hippocampus and cerebellum of epilepsy patients
19. **Palubinskienė Jolita**, *Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania*
 Palubinskienė J., Gorodetsky M. L., Kilimaitė E., Lekšas M. A pilot study of cells in human plantar fascia exposed to chronic ischemia due to atherosclerosis

17.30 – 18.30**Rīga walking tour**
(starts from the 1st floor, the Hall of the Anatomicum)**19.00 – 20.00****Singing doctors** will enjoy
the meeting dinner participants
(Restaurant “Gutenbergs”, Doma laukums 1, Centra region)**20.00 – 23.00****Meeting dinner**
(Restaurant “Gutenbergs”, Doma laukums 1, Centra region)

Third day

15/11/2024

**Anatomicum Theatre –
Institute of Anatomy and Anthropology
(Blvd. Kronvalda 9, Riga, Latvia)**

9.00 – 10.30

PLENARY lectures

Chairman Māra Pilmane
(1st auditorium)

9.00 – 9.30

Ivan Varga, Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia
Varga I., Lapedes L., Babal P. Exploring the black box of human reproduction: the role of uterine (endometrial) natural killer cells in embryo implantation: from histology, through recurrent implantation failure and to future clinical perspectives

9.30 – 10.00

Andreas Winkelmann, Medical School Brandenburg, Germany
Anatomical body donation in Europe – history and ethical challenges

10.00 – 10.30

Selma Yilmazer, Halic University, Turkey
Yilmazer S., Halic University, Turkey, Gezen Ak. D., Dursun E., Istanbul University, Turkey. Alzheimer's disease and vitamin D related pathways

11.10 – 11.30

Coffee break (Anatomicum Chapel Hall)

11.30 – 13.10

ORAL presentations

(Parallel sections)

Chairmen:

**Ingrida Balnytė,
Renata Šimkūnaitė-Rizgelienė**
(1st auditorium)

Chairmen:

**Dzintra Kažoka,
Janina Tutkuvienė**
(2nd auditorium)

11.30 – 11.50

**Valērija Groma,
Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Groma V., Naumovs V., Skuja S.
The impact of neuronal ion channels in epilepsy: a current overview

**Egle Marija Jakimaviciene,
Vilnius University, Lithuania**
Jakimaviciene E. M., Isakova J., Stasiunas A., Tutkuvienė J.
Shortening of the gestational age of newborns during 1995–2020 period: analysis of Lithuanian medical data of births

11.50 – 12.10 Dalia Ranceviene, <i>Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania</i> Ranceviene D., Rysevaite-Kyguoliene K., Sabeckis I., Paužiene N. Understanding the impact of chronic hypertension on cardiac autonomic innervation from the end of life perspective	Dzintra Kažoka, <i>Riga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Kažoka D., Pilmane M. Enhancing anatomy course with “Anatomage” radiological images: modules and implementation strategies
12.10 – 12.30 Renata Šimkūnaitė-Rizgeliénė, <i>Vilnius University, Lithuania</i> Šimkūnaitė-Rizgeliénė R., Laurinavičiūtė G., Reivytytė R., Virbauskytė V., Semenkovaite J., Šlažaitė G., Strelčenko J., Vosylūtė R., Žalgevičienė V., Čepulienė R., Bartuškienė V., Tutkuvienė J. Role of maternal undernutrition: comparison of histomorphological changes in visceral organs and retinas of two-generation rat offspring	Damian Mialkowskij, <i>Vilnius University, Lithuania</i> Mialkowskij D., Jankauskas R., Kozakaitė J., Piombino-Mascali D. Cardiovascular paleopathology in Lithuanian historical populations: evidence from mummified and skeletal remains
12.30 – 12.50 Inga Saburkine, <i>Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania</i> Saburkine I., Rysevaite-Kyguoliene K., Ranceviene D., Rekke K., Paužiene N., Khmel O., Pauža D. Comparative anatomy of the epicardial ganglionated nerve plexus in two pig breeds	Egle Stukaite-Ruibiene, <i>Vilnius University, Lithuania</i> Stukaite-Ruibiene E., Tutkus J., Gervickaitė S., Šimkūnaitė-Rizgeliénė R., Barkus A., Tutkuvienė J. Dynamics of general size and shape of the craniofacial compartment, and its sexual differences in Lithuanian adolescents, taking into account the pubertal growth spurt
12.50 – 13.10 Ilze Šrumfa, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Šrumfa I., Šinkarevs S., Šrumfs B., Sperga M. Tumour microenvironment in solid and haematological malignancies	Stanislaw Szeliga, <i>The Medical University of Warsaw, Poland</i> Szeliga S., Drożdż A. Radiomorphometric assessment of posterior condylar canals in children at the age between 2 months and 14 years
13.10 – 14.30 Lunch (Anatomicum Chapel Hall) and Guided tour in the Anatomicum historical collection	

14.30 – 16.00**ORAL presentations**

Chairmen: **Liāna Pļavina, Silvija Umbraško**
(1st auditorium)

14.30 – 14.45 Darius Batulevičius, <i>Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania</i> Batulevičius D., Skripkiene G., Levin D., Skripka V. Cholinergic and adrenergic nerve fibers in frog heart	
14.45 – 15.00 Kristīne Merkurjeva, <i>Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia</i> Merkurjeva K., Vidusa L., Šrumfs B., Uljanovs R., Šrumfa I. The Association of Neutrophil-to-lymphocyte Ratio with In-hospital Mortality in COVID-19 Patients	

15.00 – 15.15	Kirsten Rekke, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania Rekke K., Rysevaite-Kyguoliene K., Onashko Y., Sabeckis I., Pauža D. H., Khmel O. Nerve supply of aorta in rats
15.15 – 15.25	Edgars Edelmers, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia 3D Gaussian Splatting for Real-Time Radiance Field Rendering in Anatomy Education and 3D Model Creation
15.25 – 15.35	Kaiva Zīle Zariņa, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia Zariņa K. Z., Pētersons A., Pilmane M. Evaluation of Immunomodulatory Tissue Factors in Gallbladders of Pediatric Patients With Calculous Cholecystitis
15.35 – 15.45	Matīss Zicāns, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia Zicāns M., Kažoka D., Skride A., Pilmane M. A Case Study on the Pulmonary Arterial Tree: Detailed Anatomical and Topographical Analysis
15.45 – 16.00	Laura Ozola, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia Ozola L., Pilmane M. Characterization of Tissue Immunity Defense Factors of the Lip in Primary Dentition Children with Bilateral Cleft Lip Palate
16.00 – 17.30	Coffee break (Anatomicum Chapel Hall) and

16.00 – 17.30

POSTER viewing

(the 1st and 2nd floor of Anatomicum;
see the poster number in the Program)

1. **Pilmane Māra, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Pilmane M., Kažoka D., Vētra J., Gardovskis J., Pētersons A. Body donation in Latvia during the last 30 years
2. **Pilmane Māra, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Pilmane M., Lohova E., Melderis I., Gontar L., Kochanski M., Drutowska A., Prieto-Simon B. Comparison of healthy and diseased free-stall barn cow milk microbiota, cytokines and antimicrobial proteins in seasonal aspect
3. **Pivrika Evelīna, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Pivrika E., Petersons A., Junga A., Pilmane M. Distribution of genes and their proteins in Ladd's band tissue
4. **Plāviņa Liāna, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Plāviņa L. Effect of multi-stressor training on the antioxidative system
5. **Rysevaite-Kyguoliene Kristina, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania**
Rysevaite-Kyguoliene K., Novikova J., Paužienė N. Changes in neuropeptides expression in the jugular and nodose ganglion of the vagus nerve in arterial hypertension during the age
6. **Rone Alise Elizabete, Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia**
Rone A. E., Pilmane M. Galectin-10 characterization in cleft lip palate (CLP) – affected palatal tissue
7. **Sabeckis Ignas, Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania**
Sabeckis I., Rysevaite-Kyguoliene K., Pauža D. H. Abundance, morphology and innervation of cardiac small intensely fluorescent cells
8. **Sērikovaitė Evita, Vilnius University, Lithuania**
Sērikovaitė E., Alčauskaitė J., Paulikaitė E., Aukštikalnienė R., Skujienė G., Žalgevičienė V. Effects of environmentally relevant concentrations of phthalates on first generation rat embryo body and bone length

9. **Skredeniene Ruta**, *Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania*
 Skredeniene R., Stakišaitis D., Valančiūtė A., Balnytė I. A comparative study of effectiveness of sodium dichloroacetate and temozolomide on glioblastoma xenograft growth
10. **Šlekiene Lina**, *Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania*
 Green T., Šlekiene L., Gunhaga L. CAM-Delam – an in vivo assay to visualize and quantify the delamination and invasion capacity of human cancer cells
11. **Torga Taavi**, *University of Tartu, Estonia*
 Torga T., Suutra S., Kisand K., Aunapuu M., Arend A. The expression of collagen neoepitope C2C in the articular cartilage and its relation with joint tissue damage in patients with knee osteoarthritis
12. **Umbrasko Silvija**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Umbrasko S., Martinsone-Bērzkalne L., Edelmers E., Asare L. Analysis of indices of children's physical development in a longitudinal study
13. **Vaivads Mārtiņš**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Vaivads M., Pilmane M. Distribution of immunomodulation, protection and regeneration factors in cleft affected bone and cartilage
14. **Vosyliūtė Rūta**, *Vilnius University, Lithuania*
 Vosyliūtė R., Anchahbar Charki H., Šimkūnaitė-Rizgeliénė R., Bikulčienė I., Baleišis J., Rudys R., Tutkuvienė J. Chronic stress impact on pancreas morphology in type 1 diabetes mellitus
15. **Apele Zane**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Apele Z., Pilmane M. Differences in expression of defensin-3, defensin-2, LL-37, Galectin-10, CD163 in oral mucosa of control group and patients with chronic periodontitis
16. **Bode Mārtiņš**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Bode M., Strance Ģ., Kažoka D. Mastering epoxy resin for educational model creation
17. **Derbeņeva Darja**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Derbeņeva D., Pilmane M., Pētersons A. Growth factors in the wall of anomalies-affected gallbladder of children
18. **Kuļibaba Georgijs**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Kuļibaba G., Kažoka D. Exploring the diverse branching patterns of arbor vitae
19. **Pauliņš Arvis**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Pauliņš A., Pilmane M. Morphopathogenic factors of neonate intra-abdominal adhesions: a pilot study
20. **Trošins Daniils**, *Rīga Stradiņš University, Latvia*
 Trošins D., Kratovska A., Kažoka D., Pilmane M. Radiological insights into chronic pelvic congestion syndrome and May-Thurner syndrome: a comparative study of selected cases in Latvia

17.30 – 18.00

End of sessions and conclusions.**Awards ceremony.****Baltic morphologist business meeting.**(1st auditorium)



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