

## Curriculum Vitae

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

2013: Head, Infectious Diseases Surveillance Department, Epidemiology Service, Croatian National Institute of Public Health

2011-2013: Head, Adverse Events Following Vaccination (AEFV) Unit, Epidemiology Service, Croatian National Institute of Public Health

2010-2011: Medical epidemiology specialist at Infectious Diseases Epidemiology Service, Croatian National Institute of Public Health

2007-2010: Medical doctor, specializing in epidemiology, Infectious Diseases Epidemiology Service, Croatian National Institute of Public Health

2006-2007: Medical and Regulatory Affairs Manager, Sanofi Aventis Croatia d.o.o.

2000-2006: Medical Manager, regional manager for Adriatic countries (Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia), Aventis Pharma Representative Office in Croatia

1998-2000: Medical Manager and Product Manager, Centeon Pharma

1998: Clinical Research Associate, Hoechst Marion Roussel

1996-1998: Medical doctor, internship at hospital specialized for medical rehabilitation „Stubičke Toplice Spaas“

1994-1995: as a student engaged in voluntary work as a part time employee, International Rescue Committee (IRCT), branch office in Zagreb, Zagrebhelp

## EDUCATION

- 2011 - present: PhD studies at the Medical School, University of Zagreb  
Thesis: vaccine effectiveness study - accepted in 2012
- 07/2010: medical epidemiology specialist
- 02/2010: Master's degree in Natural Sciences, Biomedicine  
Thesis: Effectiveness of mumps vaccine, L-Zagreb strain, in the environment of low circulation of wild mumps virus in population
- 2008-2009: Postgraduate studies in medicine (specialized in epidemiology)
- 1998: Croatian State Exam in medicine, Medical Licence No: 13899
- 1997: Postgraduate studies for Master's degree in Natural Sciences, Biomedicine
- 1989-1995: Medical School, University of Zagreb, domain: MD, GP  
Qualification: licenced MD
- 1985-1989: Gymnasium, Zagreb

## TRAINING

- 2012: Introduction to Intervention Epidemiology, Veyrier-du-Lac, France
- 2011: WHO Programme for International Drug Monitoring, Dubrovnik, Croatia
- 2011: Mid-level Management Training in Immunization for National Training Coordinators, Ankara, Turkey
- 2011: Pharmacovigilance training, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2006: Market Access and Health Economics, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- 2003: Training for Medical Managers/Medical Directors, Paris, France
- 2003: Diabetes Medical Training, Paris, France
- 2001: CRA Experienced Training, Paris, France
- 2001: Monitoring SOPs, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2001: Professional selling skills, Zagreb, Croatia
- 1998: Good Clinical Practice, Vienna, Austria
- 1998-present: continuous professional education through courses, workshops, seminars and lectures from medical field (available upon request) but also managerial skills (internal trainings provided by the company)
- English language classes - fully completed  
German Language classes - 5th grade completed  
Italian language classes – studied for 4 years in gymnasium

## PERSONAL SKILLS

Languages	English: reading, writing and speaking German and Italian: passively
Communication skills	good communication skills gained through my experience as medical and regulatory manager, working on the regional position for the international pharmaceutical industry
Organisational/managerial skills	as a medical and regulatory manager I was responsible for ensuring qualified and competent staff in different countries of the region, ensuring their development and coaching; responsible for management of medical and regulatory budget; implementation of several international clinical trials
Job-related skills	present: communicable diseases monitoring and surveillance on national level (national register), descriptive and analytical epidemiology, preparation of daily, weekly and monthly reports on epidemiological situation in the country, risk assessment, scientific advice, outbreak reports management and analysis, epidemiological investigation and implementation of outbreak control measures, travel medicine individual counseling and vaccination, medical examination of food handlers, media communication. medical and regulatory manager: supervising the activities related to the affiliate quality control, implementation of SOPs; brand plan and business plan preparation (yearly, long-range plan); sales force and marketing team trainings on diseases and products; promotional material review, ensuring that claims are true and scientifically supported; implementation and conduct of R&D clinical studies, disease and product registries, epidemiological studies; strong and continuous physicians relationship building; take part in market access activities to obtain drug pricing and reimbursement as soon as possible after registration approval, mainly clinical-pharmacological opinion writing, dossier building for inclusion of company's medicines on the national reimbursement list; managing of pharmacovigilance unit responsible for adverse events reporting and product technical complaints reporting; management of registration approval process in line with the local business strategic plan, responsible for providing clear, accurate and on time information to the authorities in order to ensure rapid and successful registration of medicinal products.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Memberships	ECDC Advisory Forum member, National Focal Point for Scientific Advice Coordination (ECDC), National Focal Point for FWD and Zoonoses (ECDC), Measles and Rubella National Verification Committee member, National Crisis Committee associate, Multidisciplinary National Committee for Zoonoses member, National Advisory Committee for Immunization member Member of Croatian Medical Chamber, membership No: 17030 (since 1998)
Projects	in 2013 and 2014 as a member of the multidisciplinary team participated in the cost-effectiveness analysis of the introduction of the pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV) in Croatia using the model (TRIVAC) designed by the PAHO ProVac Initiative  initiated and/or participated in several international multicenter clinical trials and projects

Voluntary work            working as a student in IRCT for one year supporting psychologically and socially refugees and exiles from Croatia and Bosnia during Croatian War of Independence. Specifically interested to work with children having posttraumatic stress disorders what resulted in writing graduate paper. At that time participated at several courses organized by leading psychiatrists.

#### Publications

T. Vilibic-Cavlek. B. Kaic. L. Barbic. I. Pem-Novosel. V. Slavic-Vrzic. V. Lesnikar. S. Kurecic-Filipovic. A. Babic-Erceg. E. Listes. V. Stevanovic. I. Gjenero-Margan. G. Savini. First evidence of simultaneous occurrence of West Nile virus and Usutu virus neuroinvasive disease in humans in Croatia during the 2013 outbreak. *Infection*. DOI 10.1007/s15010-014-0625-1

Mark D. Gershman et al. Viscerotropic disease: Case definition and guidelines for collection, analysis, and presentation of immunization safety data. *Vaccine*. 2012 July 13; 30(33): 5038–5058. doi:10.1016/j.vaccine.2012.04.067.

B. Kaic, T. Vilibic-Cavlek, S. Kurecic Filipovic, T. Nemeth-Blažic, I. Pem-Novosel, V. Višekruna Vucina, A. Šimunovic, M. Zajec, I. Radic, J. Pavlic, M. Glamocanin, I. Gjenero-Margan  
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Iva Pem Novosel, Sanja Kurečić Filipović, Ira Gjenero Margan, Bernard Kaić, Marijan Erceg, Vesna Višekruna Vučina: Epidemiologija krpelnog meningoencefalitisa u Hrvatskoj, 1993.- 2012. godine / *Epidemiology of tick-borne encephalitis in Croatia, 1993 – 2012*

Sanja Kurečić Filipović, Iva Pem Novosel, Ira Gjenero Margan, Bernard Kaić, Marijan Erceg, Andrea Šupe Parun: Epidemiologija Lyme borelioze u Hrvatskoj 1993.-2012. godine / *Epidemiology of Lyme borreliosis in Croatia, 1993 – 2012*

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Kaic B, Gjenero-Margan I, Kurečić-Filipović S, Muscat M. A measles outbreak in Croatia, 2008. *Euro Surveill*. 2009;14(1):pii=19083. Available at: <http://www.eurosurveillance.org/ViewArticle.aspx?ArticleId=19083>