

2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY (29th SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION) 14–15 March 2024 Faculty of Agronomy in Čačak, University of Kragujevac, Serbia



## SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

Call for participation and abstract/paper submission

Dear Colleagues,

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY (29<sup>th</sup> SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION) will take place at the Faculty of Agronomy, Čačak, Serbia on 14–15 March 2024. We are sure that the designed model of the Symposium (an international scientific meeting) will enable all interested parties to take part in this scientific event and thus contribute toits continuing tradition. We are convinced that many experts and dear colleagues from abroad will join us.

### PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### Thursday, 14 March 2024, 10 a.m.

- Opening Session (10:00 10:45 a.m.) Amphitheater;
- Coctail (10:45 11:45 a.m.) and Mini Fair "Agriculture and Food for the Future" (10:45 a.m. 15:45 p.m.) *Classroom No.* 34;
- Invited lecture: "Chemometrics in agri-food business and sustainability", Prof. Predrag Putnik, Ph.D., Senior Research Associate, University "North" Koprivnica, Croatia. W: <u>https://orcid.org/0000-0003-0342-6114</u> (12:00 12:20 a.m.) *Amphitheater*;
- Scientific Sessions (the hourly rate will be published in the final program of the Symposium):
- 1. Field, Vegetable and Forage Crops Classroom No. 37, first floor
- 2. Pomology and Viticulture Classroom No. 38, first floor
- 3. Livestock Production Classroom No. 31, first floor
- 4. Plant Protection, Food Safety and the Environment Amphitheater;
- 5. Food Technology- *Congress hall, second floor*
- 6. Applied Chemistry Classroom No. 30, first floor
- 7. Nutritionism *Amphitheater*.
- Lunch (14:00 16:00 p.m.) Student center restaurant, 50 m from the Faculty
- o 5<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the Alumni Club Faculty of Agronomy graduates (16:30 17:30 p.m.)
- Gala dinner (18:30 p.m., Tavern "Car Lazar": <u>https://kafanacarlazar.rs/o-nama</u>)



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### Friday, 15 March 2024, 10 a.m.

1. Presentation of the most significant results of the current project of the Institute of Fruit Growing from Čačak on the preservation of autochthonous varieties of plum;

2. Presentation of the results of the Erasmus+ Project "European Excellence in Dairy Learning - AEDIL dairy CoVE" with panel discussion "Strategic linking: harmonizing education and the needs of the food industry - an example of the dairy sector" (*Moderator: Prof. Jelena Miočinović, Ph.D., Faculty of Agriculture, University of Belgrade*);

3. Workshop on "Bilateral and Multilateral International Cooperation: how to achieve more successful applications" (*Moderator: Prof. Predrag Putnik, Ph.D., University "North" Koprivnica, Croatia*).

4. Promotion of the scientific monograph "Food Health - Design and development of foods with improved functionality and nutritional properties" (*Authors and Reviewers*);

6. Promotion of the new joint study program in the field of IMT studies "Nutritionism and food processing" (*Prof. Vladimir Jakovljević, Ph.D., Dean of the Faculty of Medical Sciences from Kragujevac and Prof. Vladimir Kurćubić, Ph.D., Vice dean for science and teaching, Faculty of Agronomy in Čačak*);

7. Discussion

8. Cocktail

9. Tour of the city center and sights with a tourist guide with a visit to the retail store "Moravski Market" (an oasis of local products from local producers, micro, small and medium-sized enterprises, entrepreneurs and registered agricultural farms from the area of Čačak, Gornji Milanovac and Lučani): <u>https://moravskimarket.rs/</u>

10. Organized visit to the village of Premeća and the distillery for the production of the best Serbian brandy "Plazinić" <u>https://vocnerakije.rs/</u>

### **INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS**

Paper title submission deadline (extended): 05 February 2024.

**Full papers should be submitted** electronically using the template form provided (SoBT2024\_Paper Template) to <u>simbiotech24@gmail.com</u> by 20 February 2024 at the latest. *Papers must be prepared and presented in English.* 

The Paper Template provides detailed manuscript preparation guidelines to be followed by the authors. *Only papers written according to the instructions will undergo peer review*; otherwise, they will be rejected.

Notification of paper acceptance will be sent by **29 February 2024.** After payment of the registration fee, positively reviewed papers will be published in the Proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY (29<sup>th</sup> SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION) (M31-M<sub>33</sub>). The Symposium Proceedings will be assigned both an ISBN and CIP data, *and all published papers will receive a DOI number*.

Online access to the 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY (29<sup>th</sup> SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGYWITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION) will be made available via the Faculty of Agronomy's website (<u>https://www.afc.kg.ac.rs</u>), with links to the Symposium Sessions.





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### **REGISTRATION FEE**

Participants from the Republic of Serbia should pay a registration fee of RSD 12,000.00 (for one scientific paper). For authors who wish to submit multiple papers as first authors, the registration fee is RSD 6,000.00 per each additionalpaper.

For foreign participants, the registration fee is EUR 100 (for one scientific paper).For authors who wish to submit multiple papers as first authors, the registration fee is EUR 50 per each additional paper.

Registration fee payment deadline is 10 March 2024.

### **FEE PAYMENT METHOD**

Fee payment should be made to the Faculty of Agronomy's bank account No. 840-948666-13. Ref. No. 97-78-101122442, indication: 2<sup>nd</sup> INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY (29th SYMPOSIUM ON BIOTECHNOLOGY WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION)- fee payment. The paying-in-slip should clearly state the first name and surname of the participant, as well as the name of the institution making the payment.

For foreign participants, fee payment should be made according to the Payment Instructions specified in the attached document.

The registration fee includes: symposium materials, a symposium bag with the Symposium Agenda, an electronic version of the Symposium Proceedings, a Certificate of Participation and a Certificate for authors of invited papers, credentials, lunch on the first day of the Symposium, gala dinner, coffee breaks and refreshments, a sightseeing tour).

\*It is necessary to emphasize the presence at the gala dinner during registration process.

**ACCOMMODATION:** For all Symposium participants, the Organising Committee negotiated discounted accommodation in Hotel "Beograd", in the heart of the City. Discounts at the Hotel will be offered to registered participants only.

You book directly at Hotel "Beograd" https://www.hotel-beograd.rs/kontakt/, with the code that we will deliver to you, after receiving your completed REGISTRATION FORM.

Overnight stay with breakfast (room with a double bed, for one person): 5558.00 RSD.

Overnight stay with breakfast in a double room and a room with a double bed for two people: 3602.00 RSD per person.

### SYMPOSIUM DEADLINES:

Paper title submission deadline: 05 February 2024 Full paper submission deadline: 20 February 2024 Notification of paper acceptance: 29 February 2024 10 March 2024 Registration fee payment deadline: The deadlines are firm and will not be extended!

For further information, please consult <u>www.afc.kg.ac.rs</u> or contact <u>simbiotech24@gmail.com</u>.

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### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**Predrag Putnik**, PhD, Senior research associate, Assistant professor University North – Koprivnica, Croatia *Research area*: Food Science and Technology

### SHORT BIO

Prof. Predrag Putnik, is senior researcher with background in applied laboratory work (chemistry, biology, bioinformatics, food science, nutrition, molecular biology, and industrial food engineering), information technology, and teaching. He is a double scholarship winner, granted total of \$120,000.00 for education from two reputable USA universities. As a "grade A" graduate researcher at the University of Connecticut, he has gained invaluable knowledge and technical skills in epidemiology, statistics, molecular nutrition, public health, applied research in community nutrition and diabetes, and received his Master of Science in nutrition.

He is formally trained as scientific reviewer for the statistical analysis and research methodology in the field of nutrition and food science. Formal training was part of the regular education under the courses that were held at University of Connecticut. He serves as a peer reviewer for the +50 highly ranked scientific journals and is registered expert evaluator for the European Commission (Prima, Horizons etc.), and Eureka.

He has +100 peer-reviewed scientific papers and book chapters, where most of the journals have the highest impact factor (Q1) for food science and technology (h index: 40; h10 - Index: 84 with 5917 by Google Scholar). With other colleagues he edited books "Agri-Food Industry Strategies for Healthy Diets and Sustainability" Academic Press, Elsevier and Sustainable Functional Food Processing, MDPI. He is topic editor with Nanomaterials, MDPI (IF=5.7; 37/161; Q1) and FOODS, MDPI (IF=5.95; 35/144, Q1) and he was invited as guest editor for number of journals: Food Research International, Elsevier, Foods, MDPI, Nanomaterials, MDPI, and Food Chemistry Advances, Elsevier." He is associate editor for Frontiers in Animal Science, review editor for Frontiers in Nutrition (IF=6.58; 12/89; Q1), and member of the Editorial Boards of prestigious FOODS, MDPI and Elsevier's "Food Chemistry (IF=9.23; 8/144; Q1)," "Food Chemistry: X (IF=6.4; 9/75 Q1)," "Food Research International (IF=7.43; 13/144; Q1)," "Food Control (IF=6.65; 20/144; Q1)," and "Food Engineering Reviews (IF=6.74; 19/144; Q1)" from Springer.

He is a longtime teacher who has taught at Wesleyan University (USA), the University of Connecticut (USA), the University of Zagreb (CRO) and the University of the North (CRO). He was co-mentor for 22 final and graduate thesis and solely mentored 4 undergraduate students with which he published joint scientific publications (WoS). In 2019, he gave an invited lecture about chemometrics at the world's most prestigious food chemistry conference (Sevilla, Spain) organized by the first food chemistry journal "Food Chemistry" (Elsevier) and also was a key note speaker at the international conference "62<sup>nd</sup> International Meat Industry Conference (MEATCON2023, October 01-04, 2023, Hotel "Grand", Mt. Kopaonik, Republic of Serbia), where he was also a member of the scientific committees for both of these congresses.

During his scientific research work, he collaborates(ed) with 286 scientists from 132 different institutions from a total of 31 countries from all continents around the world. In addition, there were +30 international conference presentations and invited talks. In 2020-2023 he was elected as the top 2% of scientist by Stanford University. In 2021 he received Tanner Award for co-authoring the most-cited paper published in Comprehensive Reviews in Food Science and Food Safety in 2018 (IF=12.81 2/144 Q1 Food Sci). In 2021-2023 he was elected as Highly Cited Researcher ranked in the top 0.1% by citations for Agricultural Sciences by the Web of Science<sup>TM</sup>.