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## Selected Topics in Pediatric Dermatology Symposium

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The Selected Topics in Pediatric Dermatology Symposium took place on December 3, 2010 at Multimedia Center of Sestre milosrdnice University Hospital in Zagreb. The Symposium was organized by University Department of Dermatology and Venereology, Sestre milosrdnice University Hospital and Croatian Society of Dermatovenereology of the Croatian Medical Association, under the auspices of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts.

The Symposium consisted of 21 interdisciplinary selected lectures with a program covering all relevant aspects of the major and most common problems encountered in pediatric dermatology, and gathered many professionals involved in the management of children with dermatologic diseases including pediatric dermatologists, pediatricians, pediatric surgeons, gynecologists, infectologists and psychologists.

The Symposium offered new scientific and practical data in different fields of pediatric dermatovenereology and was an excellent opportunity for discussion and exchange of experience with colleagues from different fields of pediatric dermatology. A special lecture was dedicated to the psychological approach to children with skin diseases and the importance of understanding the problem of visibility of skin changes and its possible role in developing emotional problems and difficulties in social interactions.

At this Symposium, emphasis was put on the collaborative team approach of dermatologists, pediatricians, pediatric surgeons, gynecologists and psychologists in recognizing and treating children with different dermatologic problems as primary dermatologic diseases or as part of other primary pediatric problems with different dermatologic manifestations.

The Symposium was an excellent platform for physicians of different specialist fields to exchange ideas and help in supporting and improving the care of children with skin diseases.

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