

## Medical Faculty in Podgorica

### Paediatrics

#### Prof Mira Samardžić PhD

### BIOGRAPHY

Professor dr med. sci. Mira Samardžić was born in 1955 in Sisak, Republic of Croatia. She completed her elementary and secondary school in Topusko. She graduated from the Medical Faculty in Belgrade in 1979 and acquired general physician diploma.

She started her paediatric specialisation in 1985 and passed her specialist exam in November 1988 at the University Hospital Zagreb and acquired the paediatric specialists' degree.

She attended her post-diploma specialist studies in the field of clinical paediatrics and paediatric endocrinology at the Medical Faculty of the University of Zagreb in 1987-1991. She defended her master thesis in 1994 at the Medical Faculty in Belgrade, and acquired Master of Medical Science degree in endocrinology. She defended her PhD dissertation under the mentorship of prof Slobodan Radmanović in 1999 at the Medical Faculty in Belgrade and was awarded the title of Doctor of Medical Science.

She completed several training programmes in her country and abroad in the field of paediatrics and paediatric endocrinology. The most important are:

1998: *ESPE Winter School* (Bistritza, Bulgaria), headed by Prof Ze'ev Hochberg PhD. ESPE scholarship (European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology).

1999: *Emergency Care in Paediatrics* in Salzburg, Austria. Scholarship of the American Austrian Foundation.

2000: Expert training at *Dipartimento di Biomedicina dell'Eta Evolutiva, Universita di Bari*, mentor Prof Luciano Cavallo PhD. Scholarship of the University of Bari.

2003: Expert training at *Mercy Children's Hospital*, University of Missouri, MO, USA, Kansas City, mentored by Prof Jadranka Popović PhD. Scholarship of *The Lawson Wilkins Paediatric Endocrine Society*.

Under the **TEMPUS** programme (2008) she was at the *La clinica di Pediatria del Policlinico Universitario di Udine* (Ambulatorio Diabetologia, Ambulatorio Endocrinologia) under the mentorship of Prof Alfred Tenore PhD, whereas under the **CEEPUS** CII-RO-0313-01-0809 -10 project she gave lectures at the *Transylvania University of Brasov* (2009) and the *Charles University in Prague* (2010).

She led and coordinated the teams for introducing the *New-born Screening for Congenital and Hereditary Metabolic Disorders* and *Diabetes Insulin Pump Therapy*.

She is a member of the ISPAD (International Society of the Paediatric & Adolescent Diabetes), ESPE (European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology) and the Society of Paediatricians of Montenegro.

Prof dr sci. Mira Samardžić completed her two-year medical internship at the Medical Institute of Titograd, after which she worked at the Primary Health Care Centre of Titograd. In the period 1981-1992 she worked at the Military Medical Centre of Titograd as a general physician, paediatric specialist trainee and paediatric specialist. Later she continued her professional career at the Institute for Sick Children of Podgorica, Endocrinology Department. She was awarded the title of Primarius in 2011.

Since 1994 she has been a mentor to paediatrics specialist trainees for children endocrinology and general paediatrics according to the decision of the Medical Faculty in Belgrade.

She was awarded the title of Associate Researcher at the Medical Institute of Podgorica in 1994 and the title of Assistant in Paediatrics at the Medical Faculty in Podgorica in 2001 participating regularly in lecturing ever since. She was awarded the title of Assistant Professor in 2006. She became Associate Professor in 2011 and as of 2017 she is Professor Ordinarius. Since the school year 2006/7 she is giving lectures in paediatrics and the care of healthy and sick children at the High Medical School in Berane.

Prof dr sci. Mira Samardžić was the leader or head researched in 4 national science research projects. She was author or co-author of around 100 papers, introductory lectures and presentations published and presented in international and national magazines and at congresses, including 14 papers published in the magazines on the SCI /SCI Expanded list. According to Google Scholar her papers were cited 552 times. Prof Samardžić is the author of one medical book and several chapters in international and national monographies, science books and guides.

She is assistant editor of the international magazine *Central European Journal of Paediatrics* and reviewer of the international magazines *Paediatric Diabetes*, *World Journal of Paediatrics*, *Srpski arhiv*, *Acta Medica Academica*.