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### **PROGRAM**

## Wednesday, November 13

Wednesday, November 13		
17.00-18.00	Registration and Welcome Reception (The Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Branch in Novi Sad, address Nikole Pašića 6)	
from 18.00	Tour of Sremski Karlovci, Wine Tasting and Dinner	
Thursday, November 14		
9.15 - 10.00	Opening ceremony and welcome speeches by the organizers and special guests	
10.00 - 10.30	Coffee break	
10.30-11.00	Chairpersons: Prof. Dr. Miodrag Dimitrijevi academician Teodor Atanacković Opening lecture: From Cold Spring Harbour to the Novi Sad School of Genetics	ć, academician Dragan Škorić, Prof. Dr. Miodrag Dimitrijević, University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Agriculture
11.00-11.30	Plenary lecture: World Food Supply Present and Future - Problems and Prospects	Prof. Dr. Perry Gustafson, Adjunct Professor of Plant Sciences, College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources,
11.30-12.00	Plenary lecture: Gene Manipulation In Wheat Improvement	University of Missouri, USA and retired geneticist of the Agricultural Research Service, USDA
12.00-12.30	Plenary lecture: Селекция мягкой пшеницы в Национальном Центре зерна имени П. П. Лукьяненко: традиционные и биотехнологические методы	Dr. Davojan Rumik Oganesovič, Research Institute of Agriculture named after P.P. Lukyanenko, Krasnodar, Russia
12.30-12.45	Changes in Senescence Pattern Related With Breeding Progress in Winter Wheat	Dr. Milan Mirosavljević, Institute of Field and Vegetable Crops, Novi Sad
12.45-13.00	Improvement of Spike-Stem-Tillers (SST) Complex is a Challenge In Wheat Breeding	Prof. Dr. Ivan Panayotov, Agricultural Experimental Station - Dunav, Bulgaria
13.00-13.15	Polymorphisms and Flow of Gliadin Alleles in Wheat	Prof. Dr. Desimir Knežević, University of Priština, Faculty of Agriculture in Lešak, Kosovo & Metohija, Serbia
13.15-13.30	Discussion	
13.30-14.00	Poster Viewing Session	
from 14.00	Lunch and Closing Ceremony	

#### **INTRODUCTORY NOTE**

The greatness and wealth of a nation are not in numbers, area and material resources. The size and wealth of the nation are in people, ideas, achievements and moral values that this nation has created, reached and established.

**Prof. Dr. Slavko Borojević,** a geneticist, breeder, agronomist, professor, academician, built himself and his work into the greatness and wealth of his people, the state, and much wider than that - in the heritage of humanity.

The aspiration for freedom, the primordial, eternal struggle to achieve it, marked the life and deed of Professor Borojević. Firstly, he fought this battle as a warrior on the battlefield, then as a fighter against hunger, for food security, for liberty and independence through seed and food production self-sufficiency, creating our domestic, varieties of bread grain. It is this constant struggle that has helped to build the scientific thought of genetics at the Faculty of Agriculture in Novi Sad on the right foundation and to create the "Novi Sad School of Genetics", which, by the means of wheat breeding and through thousands of young people attending this school, has been introduced to the world, recognized and respected, like its father - professor Slavko Borojević.

The symposium "100th Birth Anniversary of Academician Slavko Borojević (1919-2019)" is devoted to remembrance of our great people, their work and legacy. In order to wisely go into the future, we need to know who we are, what we are and where we come from. We who are carrying all our ancestors in our genes, we do have the obligation to remember those who have indebted the Fatherland and preserve their work. This Symposium should bring us together around the scientific results of modern genetics and breeding, which were realized on the basis of the work and science of prof. Borojević. With this gathering, we recollect the great scientific and educational work that is possible, when the right people are in the right places and when there is concern for science and education. Professor Borojević created a highly valuable environment around him, but this environment created such a great person, as well. In these times, the Symposium "100th Birth Anniversary of Academician Slavko Borojević" should remind us that we are free, great and rich nation, especially with great achievements in agronomic science. By properly genotype by environment interaction, we could be richer for many new "borojevics", which would not leave for abroad in search for happiness, but remain here and work for the wellbeing of the Fatherland, as Slavko Borojević, a university professor, world known geneticist and wheat breeder honourably did, walking high and tall.

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#### **ABSTRACTS**

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- 3. Improvement of spike-stem-tillers (SST) complex is a challenge in wheat breeding / Ivan Panayotov (Bulgaria)
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- 5. Utilisation of sodium dodecyl sulphate sedimentation test for quality prediction of wheat cultivars in Serbia / Dragan Živančev, Milan Mirosavljević, Bojan Jocković, Vojislava Momčilović, Radivoje Jevtić, Vladimir Aćin, Slaviša Štatkić, Sanja Mikić (Serbia)
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- 8. Estimation of genetic diversity and population structure of IFVCNS wheat collection using molecular markers and pedigrees / Ljiljana Brbaklić, Dragana Trkulja, Sanja Mikić (Serbia)
- 9. Analysis of chlorophyll content in a bread wheat collection and its correlations with flowering time and grain yield / Verica Takač, Sanja Mikić, Milan Mirosavljević, Vojislava Momčilović, Dragana Trkulja, Ljiljana Brbaklić, Ankica Kondić Špika (Serbia)
- 10. Improvement of buckwheat production / Vera Popović, Ljubiša Kolarić, Branka Žarković, Ljubiša Živanović, Ljubica Šarčević Todosijević, Jelena Golijan, Jela Ikanović (Serbia)

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- 14. Evaluation of wheat (*Triticum aestivum* L.) response to different abiotic stresses using modern phenotyping platforms / Ankica Kondić-Špika, Sanja Mikić, Dragana Trkulja, Milan Mirosavljević, Ljiljana Brbaklić, Vesna Župunski, Imre Vass, Janos Pauk, Carl-Otto Ottosen (Serbia, Hungary, Denmark)
- 15. Stem store ability of winter wheat under natural drought conditions / V. V. Morgun, G. A. Pryadkina, O. V. Zborivska (Ukraine)
- 16. Photosynthetic traits of transgenic maize plants with dsRNA suppressor of proline dehydrogenase gene / O. O. Stasik, D. A. Kiriziy, O. G. Sokolovska-Sergiienko, G. O. Pryadkina, S. I. Mykhalska (Ukraine)

Symposium on Genetics and Plant Breeding in Cereals: 100th Birth Anniversary of Academician Slavko Borojević (1919-2019) Topic: Past and Future of Cereal Improvement Oral presentation

#### Changes in Senescence Pattern Related with Breeding Progress in Winter Wheat

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During the past century, grain yield potential in winter wheat has been continuously improved as the result of changes in production technology and development of modern high-yielding cultivars. Previous studies of the grain yield progress in winter wheat has been mainly restricted to the analysis of changes in main grain yield determinates, such as grain weight and grain number. However, there is a lack of information about changes in stay green pattern related to breeding progress in winter wheat. Therefore, the main objective of this paper was to analyse the changes in the stay-green traits related to the grain yield improvement in a historical set of 25 winter wheat cultivars released during the last century. Stay-green traits were measured during two growing seasons at least twice a week for each plot starting from awn emergence until after maturity using a hand-held NDVI meter. Results from this study showed the positive relationship between the year of cultivar release and grain yield, with genetic gain of 51 kg per year. The NDVI values at different stages of senescence - crop greenness were increased in modern cultivars compared to their older counterparts. Also, duration of time to start and midpoint of senescence was increased with the year of cultivar release, while timing of concluding senescence was not significantly improved. Grain yield was mainly related to the crop greenness, while its association with duration of stay green traits was less pronounced. Therefore, results from this study indicated that the rate of genetic progress in winter wheat has not reached plateau in southern Pannonian plain. Moreover, further breeding progress in winter wheat should be more related to the crop greenness and biomass than the duration of stay-green period.

Key words: breeding progress, grain yield, stay-green, wheat