

## Curriculum Vitae

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### **I. ACADEMIC HISTORY**

Medical Faculty  
University of Zagreb, Croatia  
September 1966 – June 1971

Rotating Internship, University Hospital “Rebro”  
University of Zagreb, Croatia  
July 1971 – June 1972

Postgraduate Training in Experimental Endocrinology,  
University of Zagreb, Croatia  
September 1972 – July 1974

Residency Training In Nuclear Medicine and Radiation  
Oncology, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
July 1974 – April 1975

Residency Training in Physical Medicine and  
Rehabilitation,  
University of Toronto  
July 1978 – June 1982

Clinical Fellowship in Physical Medicine and  
Rehabilitation,  
University of Toronto  
July 1982 – December 1983

### **II. DEGREES OBTAINED**

M.D. - 1971, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
M.Sc. - 1975, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
E.C.F.M.G. - Certificate 1978  
F.R.C.P.C. - 1983, Royal College of Physicians and  
Surgeons  
L.M.C.C. - 1986, Medical Council of Canada

### III. AWARDS

Ontario Medical Association, Section of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. Award for the best presentation at the Annual Meeting, Toronto 1982

Residents' Award as the best teacher in the Division of Physiatry, Department of Medicine University of Toronto, July 2000

Residents' Award as the best teacher in the Division of Physiatry, Department of Medicine University of Toronto, June 2007

### IV. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

<b>1999 – Present</b>	Physiatry Consultant, West Park Health Care Centre, Toronto
<b>1983 – present</b>	Physiatry Consultant Mount Sinai Hospital Toronto
<b>1992 – 1997</b>	Head, Division of Physiatry, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto
<b>1992 – 1999</b>	Physiatrist-in-Chief Department of Rehabilitation Medicine Mount Sinai Hospital Toronto
<b>1992 – 1999</b>	Medical Director Regional Evaluation Centre for Worker's Compensation Board Mount Sinai Hospital Toronto
<b>1994 – 1999</b>	Medical Director, Designated Assessment Centre Mount Sinai Hospital Toronto
<b>1987 – present</b>	Assistant Professor Division of Physiatry Department of Medicine University of Toronto
<b>1982 – 1983</b>	Clinical Fellow

Department of Rehabilitation Medicine  
University of Toronto  
Mount Sinai Hospital  
Toronto, Ontario

**1977 – 1978**

Research Assistant  
Department of Medicine, Ottawa University  
Ottawa Civic Hospital

**1972 – 1974**

Lecturer  
Department of Physiology  
University of Zagreb, Croatia

## **V. PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES**

Ontario Medical Association, 1978 - present  
Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada 1983 - present  
Association of Academic Physiatrist 1984 - present  
Canadian Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation 1983 - present  
American Association of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation 1988 - present  
Canadian Society of Clinical Neurophysiologists 1990-2001  
American Association of Electrodiagnostic Medicine since 1990-2001  
Fellow of the American Back Society, 1991 – present  
Medical Legal Society 2005- present

## **VI. PUBLICATIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS**

**Soric, R.**

“Effects of Testosterone on Glucongeogenesis in Kidney Cortex and Liver in Mice”

Master’s Degree thesis

University Press, University of Zagreb, 1975

**Soric, R.** Tepperman, P.; Hilbert, L.

“Rehabilitation Medicine: The time is Now.”

Postgraduate Medicine, vol.77(8):13-15,1985

**Soric, R.** Devlin, M.

“Transcutaneous Electrical Stimulation – Practical Aspects and Applications”,  
Postgraduate Medicine, vol.77(8):101-107,1985

Devlin, M. Tepperman, P. **Soric, R.**

“Stroke Rehabilitation – Would Your Patient Benefit”  
Canadian Family Physician, vol.31:1497-1499,1985

Tepperman, P. **Soric, R.** Devlin, M.

“Stroke Rehabilitation – A Problem Oriented Approach”.  
Postgraduate Medicine, vol.80(8):158-167, 1986  
(Invited manuscript)

**Soric, R.** Tepperman, P. Devlin, M.

“Arthritis Rehabilitation – a Multifaceted Process”  
Postgraduate Medicine, vol.80(8):175-182,1986  
(Invited manuscript)

**Soric, R.** Devlin, M.

“The Role of Physical Medicine in the Management of Pain”; chapter 13, pp.  
147-162, in: “Handbook of Chronic Pain Management”, ed.by C.David  
Tollison.-Baltimore;Williams and Wilkins Publishing Company, 1989

**Soric, R.**

“The Role of Physical Medicine Modalities”.  
A manuscript that is to represent chapter IX of the textbook “Rehabilitation of  
Low Back Pain – Nonsurgical Approach”. Requested by Williams & Wilkins  
Publishing Company, Baltimore, USA.  
Accepted for publication. In print.

**Soric, R.**

“Physical Modalities in Treatment of Acute & Chronic Pain”; A manuscript that  
is to present a chapter of the textbook “A Manual of Pain Management”.  
Requested by Little, Brown & Company, New York, U.S.A. In print.

## **VII. PAPERS PRESENTED**

“Osteonecrosis in the Postpartal Woman”.  
Presented at the Ontario Medical Association, Annual Meeting, June 1982,  
Toronto

“Common Problems of the Forearm & Hand”.

CME Course for Family Practitioners, October 1987.

“Therapeutic Heat & Cold”  
CME Course for Family Practitioners October 1987.

“Knee Pain – Assessment & Treatment”  
10<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine, Toronto, April, 1987.

“Electromyography in Clinical Practice”  
Annual Meeting of ASET/CAET, Toronto, August 1990.

“Use of MRTA in Detecting Osteoporosis”  
**R. Soric**; M. Kasra; M. Grynopas,  
The 2000 ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition”  
Orlando, Florida  
November 2000

## VIII. INVITED LECTURES

“Neck & Low Back Pain”,  
Family Practice Unit, Mount Sinai Hospital, 1985.

“Role of Rehabilitation Medicine in Musculoskeletal Disorders”,  
Nurses Continuing Education, George Brown College, Toronto, March 1985.

“Early & Late Stump Complications”,  
Prosthetics Course for Postgraduate Students, June, 1986

“Spasticity – Clinical Aspects”,  
Ontario Physical Therapy Association, Toronto, March 1987.

“Gait in the Diseases of the Central Nervous System”,  
Ontario Physical Therapy Association, Toronto, February 1987.

“Fibrositis”,  
Family Practice Unit, Mount Sinai Hospital, January 1988.

“Physical Modalities in Treatment of Soft Tissue Injuries”  
Family Practice Unit, Mount Sinai Hospital, April 1991.

“Soft Tissue Rheumatism”  
Clinic Day, Toronto East General Hospital, 1992

“Physical Modalities in Everyday Practice”  
Saturday at the University Series, January 1993.

“Medical Aspects of Stroke Rehabilitation”

Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, September 1993.

“Clinical Management of Stroke Victims”

Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, October 1994.

“Mobility Aids”

Saturday at the University Series, January, 1994.

“Assessment of Disability”

Saturday at the University Series, January, 1994.

“Medical Management of Neurological Disorders”

Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, Fall, 1995

“Philosophy of Rehabilitation”

West Park Hospital, Toronto, February 1996.

“Getting Patients Back to Work”

Seminars in Current Practice,  
Department of Family Medicine,  
University of Toronto, April 1996.

“Assessment of Gait and Mobility”

Annual Medical Clinic Day  
Baycrest Hospital, Toronto, May 1996.

“Return to Work”

Citywide Grand Round, Division of Physiatry, Department of Medicine,  
University of Toronto, May 1996.

“Rehabilitation of Stroke Victims”

Clinical Day  
Toronto, East General Hospital, September 1997.

“Rehabilitation Medicine & Physiatry Practice”

Radioshow for Medical Practitioners  
Toronto, October 1997

“Quantitative Assessment of Rehabilitation Success in Stroke Patients”

2<sup>nd</sup> Croatia Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine  
Varazdinske Toplice, Croatia  
May 2000

“Rehabilitation Principles in Patients Following Secondary & Tertiary Revision  
Arthroplasty of the Hip & Knee”

Department of Rehabilitation Medicine  
University of Zagreb, Croatia  
May 2000

“Diagnosis & Management of Chronic Disability Conditions”  
Educational Lecture for Ability to Function  
Toronto  
December 2003

“Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Syndrome”  
Presentation for Assessment Rehabilitation Services Inc.  
Toronto  
February 2004

“Management of Chronic Conditions”  
Presentation for National IME Centres  
Toronto  
February 2004

“Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Syndrome”  
Presentation for Assessment Rehabilitation Services Inc.  
Toronto  
January 2005

“Inpatient Rehabilitation in Complex Musculoskeletal Trauma & Revision  
Arthroplasty”  
Presentation for the Members of the Board of West Park Healthcare Centre & the  
West Park Healthcare Centre Foundation  
Toronto  
March, 2005

“What’s New With Fibromyalgia”  
Presentation for Assessment Rehabilitation Services Inc.  
Toronto  
June, 2005

“Assessment and Management of Chronic pain Conditions”  
Presentation for NIC in London, Ontario  
September 2007

“Physical Examination techniques for the Assessment of Patients with Chronic  
MSK diseases”  
Presented as part of Disability Seminars – Focus on Function, 2007 Series

## **IX. CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION**

“Update on Physical Medicine in the Treatment of Musculoskeletal Conditions”.  
Toronto, October, 1987 – organizer & presenter.

“American Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.”  
Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, 1990 – participant.

“Demyelinating Neuropathies and Focal Peripheral Neuropathies.”

Vancouver, September 1991 – participant.

“Disability Evaluation of the Injured Worker.”  
Orlando, Florida, August 1992 – participant.

“Osteometabolic Diseases and Back Pain.”  
Orlando, Florida, August 1992 – participant

“Physician Manager Institute”  
Course I-IV. Toronto, 1994 – participant.

“Medical Ethics” course  
University of Toronto, November 1996 – participant.  
“Third Party Assessments”  
Toronto, June 1997 – organizer & presenter.

Approaches that Facilitate Learning Through Engagement”  
CME Course, University of Toronto  
Toronto, January 1998 - participant.

Preventing & Treating RSI:  
Building Common Ground – Phase I  
Institute of Work & Health  
Hamilton, May 1998.

The Lancet Conference 1998  
“The Challenge of Stroke”  
Montreal, October 1998 – organizer and participant.

Canadian Association of Physical Medicine &  
Rehabilitation Annual Meeting,  
Kananaskis, Alberta June 1999 - participant.

2<sup>nd</sup> Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine,  
Varazdinski Toplice  
Croatia  
May, 2000 – presenter and participant

American Congress of Rehabilitation  
Hilton Head, South Carolina,  
October 2000 – presenter

Annual Meeting of the American Back Institute  
Las Vegas, 2001

Annual Meeting of the American Association of Physical Medicine &  
Rehabilitation  
Arizona, 2003

Multiple PLPs submitted to the RCPSC

## **X. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Member of the Undergraduate Medical Education Committee, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Toronto, July 1984 – July 1985.

Member of the Medical Education Committee, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Toronto, June 1985 – 1999.

Chairperson of the Musculoskeletal Task Force, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Toronto, July 1985 – 1987.

Member of the Musculoskeletal Curriculum Committee, University of Toronto, May 1986 – September 1990.

Member of Continuing Medical Education Committee, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Toronto, July 1985 – 1990.

Hospital co-ordinator for Mount Sinai Hospital (Undergraduate and Postgraduate Training for Psychiatry and Family Practice Residents), University of Toronto, July 1985 – 1996.

Member of the Ethics Review Committee, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Toronto, July 1985 – 1995.

Member of the Canadian Association of Medical Education 1989 – 1999.

Member of the Task Force for the Medical Faculty Curriculum Renewal – Faculty Evaluation & Development, University of Toronto, June 1990 – 1993.

Member of the Medical Advisory Council, Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, 1992 – December 1998.

Member of the Division Directors Committee, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, 1992 – July 1997.

Member of the Nucleus Committee, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ottawa, 1992.

Chair, Medical Advisory Council Subcommittee for Library and Instructional Media Services, Mount Sinai Hospital, 1992 – 1997.

Member of the OHA Rehabilitation Resource Group.  
1994 – 1998.

Member of the Electives Committee, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, July 1987 – July 1995.

Member of the Joint Policy & Planning Committee for Rehabilitation, OHA.  
1995 – 1996.

Acting Medical Program Director for Rehabilitation, West Park Hospital, Toronto,  
August 1995 – April 1996.

West Park Hospital Representative on the Postgraduate Training Committee, Division of  
Physiatry, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto, July 1998 –2000.

Member of the Joint Stroke Strategy Working Group,  
Ministry of Health & Long Term Care,  
1999 – 2000

West GTA Coordinated Stroke Strategy Committee  
1999 –2002.

Member of the Total hip and Knee Joint Replacement Expert Panel aimed at reducing  
wait times  
Spring 2005 – January 2008

President Medical Staff Association at West Park Healthcare Centre  
June 2002-June 2004  
Member of the Medical Advisory Council  
West Park Healthcare Centre  
June 2000 – present.

Member of the Board of Governors  
West Park Healthcare Centre  
June 2000 – June 2004

Member of the Strategic Planning Task Force for West Park Healthcare Centre  
2003-2004

Member of the Utilization Committee  
West Park Healthcare Centre  
June 2002-2005

Chair of the MQIC at West Park Healthcare Centre  
2004 - present