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She graduated from the University of Zagreb Medical School in 1984 and has been employed at the Department of Physiology since 1986. MSc thesis in 1988 and PhD thesis in 1989. The second postgraduate study Ultrasound in clinical medicine completed in 1993. From January 1995 to April 1996: postdoctoral fellow (French Ministry of Science Fellowship Award)-collaborator on the scientific projects “Hypoxia in Utero, Brain Lesions, Postnatal Behavior” and “Development of the Fetal Brain and Cocaine Intoxication”. In 1992, she was appointed to the position of Assistant Professor and in 1997 the Associate Professor of Physiology, Immunology and Fundamental Neuroscience. In 2008, she was appointed to the position of Full Professor – field Physiology and Neuroscience.

Since 2013 she has been in the permanent position of Full Professor-field Human Physiology and Neuroscience. From 2000 to 2004 - Head of the Department of Physiology, University of Zagreb Medical School; from 2004 to 2006 - Acting Head of the Department of Physiology. Research area: fetal physiology, intrauterine growth restriction and fetal hypoxia, fetal behavior. She has been Vice President of the Croatian Society of Physiologists since 1999, and she is also a member of the Croatian Society for Neuroscience and the World Association of Perinatal Medicine. She is the author/co-author of several books and numerous articles in the field of fetal and neonatal physiology and neurophysiology, which are used in undergraduate and postgraduate studies, as well as many chapters in internationally published books. She has more than 100 national and international publications (57 scientific papers are indexed in Current Contents, Science Citation Index, IM, Excerpta Med, etc). Total citation: 615.

She had invited lectures at the European and World Congresses of Perinatal Medicine, World Congress on Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology, European Schools of Social Pediatrics, International Symposia on Fetal Neurology and other international and national meetings and schools.

She is a reviewer of scientific journals such as the Journal of Perinatal Medicine, Developmental Neuropsychology, Early Human Development, Croatian Medical Journal, The Ultrasound Review of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Gynaecologia et Perinatologia, Periodicum Biologorum, Pediatrics.

She is the President of the Union of Societies “Our Children” of Croatia (non-governmental and non-profitable organization with about 4000 active members) and a member of the Council for Children of the Government of the Republic of Croatia.