

NF Horizons

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One morning catching up with NF experts, with the participation of Prof. Eric Legius.

20 th May 2023
from 9 am to 1 pm.
Auditório Fidelidade, Lisboa
R. Alexandre Herculano 53 - Lisboa

Introduction

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Welcome to the 1st NF clinical Event, organized by APNF – NF Horizons. A meeting focused on neurofibromatosis, a complex chronic disease that affects thousands of individuals worldwide. Neurofibromatosis encompasses a group of genetic disorders that can cause tumours to develop on nerves throughout the body, as well as other health complications, such as vision and hearing problems, learning disabilities, and bone deformities. This disease affects both children and adults and can have a significant impact on patients' quality of life. As medical professionals, researchers, and advocates for patient care, it is crucial that we come together to discuss the latest developments in the understanding, diagnosis, and treatment of neurofibromatosis.

Throughout this morning, we will hear from experts in the field who will share their knowledge, experiences, and research findings, providing us with a deeper understanding of this complex disease and the latest advances in its management.

Keynote Speaker – Prof. Eric Legius

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Professor Eric Legius is a Belgian physician and geneticist, best known for his research on neurofibromatosis and other genetic disorders. He was born on March 4, 1952, in Leuven, Belgium. Professor Legius earned his medical degree from the Catholic University of Leuven in 1976 and later received his PhD in Medical Sciences in 1986.

He completed his residency in pediatrics and medical genetics at the University Hospitals Leuven and received further training in clinical genetics at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas.

Since 1983, Professor Legius has been a member of the medical genetics team at the University Hospitals Leuven, where he is currently a professor of medical genetics. He has also served as the director of the Center for Human Genetics at the hospital and as the president of the European Society of Human Genetics.

Professor Legius' research focuses on the genetic basis of neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF1) and other genetic disorders. He has identified new genes involved in the development of NF1-related tumors and has conducted clinical trials to evaluate potential treatments for the disorder. He has also contributed to the understanding of other genetic disorders, such as Legius syndrome and Noonan syndrome.



8:45 - 9:15	Hello and Morning Coffee
9:15 - 9:30	Welcome Introduction, by APNF and Dra. Isabel Cordeiro
9:30 - 10:00	ERN GENTURIS tumour surveillance guidelines for individuals with neurofibromatosis type 1 Keynote Presentation - Professor Eric Legius (Leuven)
10:00 - 10:30	Discussion Moderation by Dra. Marta Amorim (Lusiadas Hospital)
10:30 - 10:50	Skin manifestations and NF in a new therapeutic era Dr. Bernardo Pimentel, Dra. Cristina Amaro (Egas Moniz Hospital, Western Lisbon Hospital Center)
10:50 - 11:10	Discussion Moderation by Dr. Duarte Salgado (IPO Lisbon)
11:10 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 11:50	Ophthalmological Aspects of NF Dr. Filipe Simões da Silva (Vila Franca de Xira Hospital)
11:50 - 12:10	NF at IPO Lisbon Dr. João Passos (IPO Lisbon)
12:30 - 12:50	Discussion Moderation by Prof. Eric Legius
12:50 - 13:00	Thank you and See you soon, by APNF
13:00	Lunch, courtesy of APNF

Where

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Registrants from medical and scientific communities
/organizations:

Please register [here](#)

Its absolutely free and we welcome you to join us for our lunch buffet!

For further information or any other issue, contact us through **info@apnf.pt**.