## XIV GAIT AND BRAIN SEMINAR SERIES

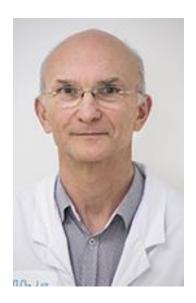
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**Tuesday, October 20th, 2020** 

St. Joseph's Parkwood Institute Virtual platform



### "Medications and Polypharmacy in Brain Health and Mobility"



# **Guest Speaker: Professor Mirko Petrovic MD, PhD**

Mirko Petrovic, MD, PhD, full professor of geriatrics and clinical pharmacology at the Ghent University, Belgium, is a senior clinical researcher with large expertise in geriatric pharmacotherapy. Currently, he is the chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine and Paediatrics at the Ghent University, a member of the European Medicine Agency (EMA) Geriatric Expert Group, the Academic Director of the European Geriatric Medicine Society (EuGMS) and a member of the Royal Academy of Medicine of Belgium.

The main aims of his research line are: to outline the pattern and quality of drug utilization in older in-patients and nursing home residents; to assess the quality of prescribing and to estimate to what extent the prescribing is tailored to real medical needs; to assess to what extent the organization of an institution influences the relationship between drug utilization and medical needs; to use prescribing indicators for identification of prescribing which is not in line with national and regional prescribing guidelines and to contribute to the organization and implementation of a better prescribing policy in older people.

He is the author of various book chapters and more than 250 peer-review publications, mainly in the field of drug-related problems in older people, a co-author and a co-editor of different books, a supervisor of several dissertations and Ph.D. theses, and a reviewer of a number of international peer-reviewed journals.

## <u>AGENDA</u>

2:45 p.m.
Welcome Remarks by
Dr. Jennie Wells

2:50 p.m.

Research opportunities and speaker intro by Dr. Manuel Montero-Odasso

3:00 p.m.

Lecture by Dr. Mirko Petrovic

3:50 p.m.
Questions & Answers

4:00 p.m.
Adjourn

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#### **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

- 1 Summarize the evidence linking cognitivemotor interaction and polymedications in older adult populations
- 2 Appraise that role of polypharmacy in the cognitive and gait decline seen in aging and the relation with the risk of developing adverse events in older adults
- 3 Understand mechanisms underlying this association and potentially reversible or treatable factors

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#### **Study Credits**

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Each participant should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent participating in the educational program.

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