



# IHS Visiting Professors BULGARIA 2015

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## REPORT

The Bulgarian Neurology Society, together with the Bulgarian Headache and Pain Society, gathers hundreds of Bulgarian clinicians, trainees, nurses and industry supporters in the Neurology field on an annual basis. The congress meeting is the biggest Neurological event in Bulgaria.

The 2015 fourteenth Bulgarian National Congress took place at the Black Sea resort Golden Sands in Varna, Bulgaria from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2015. This year there were 820 participants from all over the country registered for the meeting.

Each year the interest in the annual meeting is rising, thanks to the participation of many honored national and international professors who update the knowledge on clinical and scientific topics across the fields of headache and pain disorders, stroke, movement disorders, MS, neurodegenerative diseases, neuromuscular diseases, etc. Professors from Bulgaria, the USA, Russia, Israel, Italy, Greece, Serbia, Turkey, Sweden, and Switzerland took part in the fourteenth National Congress meeting this year.

The 2015 annual meeting was very special, because Prof. Alan Rapoport, clinical professor of Neurology at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, Los Angeles, California and president of the IHS, together with Assoc. Prof. Nina Latysheva, at Sechenov First Moscow State Medical University, Alexander Vein Headache Clinic, were invited as honored visiting professors, on behalf of the IHS, to give lectures in the field of headache. Topics about botulinum toxin application, the newest treatments and the differential diagnosis of primary headache disorders were discussed.

The Bulgarian Headache and Pain Society is an affiliate member of the IHS from 2013 and there are around 100 members of the society who work specifically in the field of headache. They all evaluated highly the chosen topics, the presentations of the lecturers, and the acquired knowledge. There were suggestions for inviting Prof. Alan Rapoport and Assoc. Prof. Nina Latysheva again next year.

We firmly believe that the lectures and the poster sessions were with broad appeal to clinicians, basic scientists, Neurology health professionals, trainees and nurses. The great success was measured by the engagement and participation of the honored speakers, for which we kindly thank the IHS for the support and the given opportunity to have world known speakers in the headache field at a national event like ours.

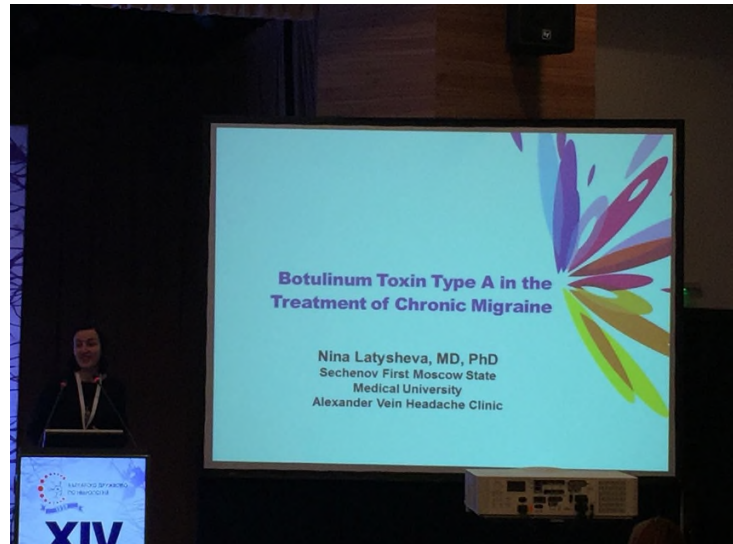
The Bulgarian National Congress of Neurology was also a perfect occasion to form or renew friendships and collaborations with colleagues from around the country and abroad.

We look forward to seeing more participants in 2016 and we believe that we updated the knowledge on headache in our country.

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Alan Rapoport



Nina Latysheva

