

## Ivana Klun, DVM, MSc



Date and place of birth: November 18, 1967; Belgrade

### EDUCATION/PROFESSIONAL TRAINING & EXPERIENCE

- 1996 **DVM**, University of Belgrade School of Veterinary Medicine  
1996-1998 Postgraduate studies in Clinical pathology and therapy of equids  
1998-2000 University of Belgrade School of Veterinary Medicine, Department of Parasitic Diseases (*Graduate teaching assistant*)  
2003-now Institute for Medical Research (IMR), Department of Parasitology, National Reference Laboratory for Toxoplasmosis, Serbian Centre for Parasitic Zoonoses (*Researcher*), **Research Assistant** since **2006**  
2005 **MSc** in Veterinary Science (Parasitology), University of Belgrade School of Vet. Med. (“Seroepizootiological study of *Toxoplasma gondii* infection in ungulates in Serbia”)  
2007 **Study visit**, Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), Maisons-Alfort, and Hopital Cochin, Université René Descartes, Paris, France (3 weeks training in contemporary methods in molecular diagnostics of protozoal infections – *Real-time PCR*)  
2007-now PhD thesis in preparation at the University of Belgrade School of Veterinary Medicine  
2010 **Specialization in Parasitology and Parasitic diseases**, University of Belgrade School of Vet. Med. (“Isolation of *Toxoplasma gondii* from the blood of pigs at the slaughter line in the Belgrade city abattoirs”)

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Parasitology, zoonoses, food/waterborne protozoa, immunological and molecular diagnostics of parasitic diseases, parasitic diseases of livestock.

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

#### Participation in research projects:

**NATIONAL: 4** (3 funded by the Serbian Ministry of Science, 1 by Min. of Agriculture)

**INTERNATIONAL: 4**

- 2007-2009 - Reinforcement of the Serbian Centre for Parasitic Zoonoses (FP6-2005-INCO-WBC/SSA-3, contract no. INCO-CT-2006-043702 – SERBPARZOOM)
- 2008-2010 - Epizootiology and epidemiology of leishmaniosis in Croatia and Serbia. Sandfly presence in non-zoonotic areas and serological canines and humans monitoring (*Serbian-Croatian Programme of Actions toward progress and stability through knowledge*)
- 2010-2011 - Molecular diagnosis and genotypic characterization of *Toxoplasma gondii* isolates from humans and animals in France and Serbia (*Serbian-French Technology Cooperation Programme*)
- 2010-2011 - Molecular diagnosis and genotypic characterization of human *Toxoplasma gondii* isolates in Hungary and Serbia (*Serbian-Hungarian Intergovernmental S&T Programme*)

#### Memberships in professional associations:

- 1998- Yugoslav Society of Parasitologists (Serbian Society since 2008)  
2005- Serbian Society for the Use of Animals in Education and Research  
2008- SouthEastern and Eastern European Parasitologists Association – SEEPP  
2012- Society of Serbian Parasitologists (*General Secretary*)

#### Expertise:

Peer reviewer for international journals (Foodborne Pathogens and Disease; Research in Veterinary Science; Parasite - Journal de la Société Française de Parasitologie; Indian Journal of Medical Research)

#### Misc.:

- was on the Editorial Board of Programme and Abstract books of two international meetings
- member of the Organizing Committee of the FP6 SERBPARZOOM Project Conference “**Parasitic Zoonoses in Present Day Europe. Focus on South-East**”, November 18-20, 2009, Belgrade
- member of the IMR’s Ethical Committee for the Welfare of Laboratory Animals (2006-now)