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DO WE KNOW HOW TO INVEST IN HEALTH?

The Czech Republic has become not only a sought-after tourist destination, but also a place where series of foreigners decided not only to settle permanently, but also to invest. In recent years even more women in the Czech Republic have primarily decided to invest in the most precious thing they have – health and beauty. The palette of offers and possibilities is wide, namely from solving the weighty health problems within the framework of hospitalisation advantages, via the stays at a spa, to the possibilities of aesthetic operations, dental performances or the offer of various regenerative services. Ironically, this wide offer of health-care facilities and services may be a problem when deciding where and which service to invest in.

Often we are attracted by a tempting offer at a stay at a spa which promises a total recovery and getting rid of all health complaints within several weeks while every expert knows that only a replacement of the hip joint affected by heavy arthrosis will bring considerable relief from the pain. Yet more frequently we come across an unsuitable reduction programmes where a series of women require the liposuction from problem areas, believing that this will solve their many depressive years suffering with obesity. However this turns out to be a question of a long-term metabolic problem which cannot be solved by any operation. In the very region of aesthetic surgery tens of such unsuitable examples may be given.

There’s a lot of reasons for our investing considerable financial means within the framework of the care of our appearance and health irrationally. On the one hand it is the medical and health ignorance of problems, which, with foreigners, is yet raised by the ignorance of environment and lack of information and references, respectively. On the other hand it is the contemporary phenomenon of modern medicine and its atomisation mostly with a missing integrative view. Oftentimes we speak about the missing compact i.e. holistic view on the issue of both health and illnesses.

In any case, contemporary medicine to the greater extent lacks a service which could be called the architecture of health. It is surely quite common that before a flat or real estate reconstruction we first consult an architect and have a study and plans done and than we decide on our investment. Unfortunately, on deciding where and how we are going to invest in our own health, we are mostly lacking this compact – holistic – consideration.

Despite these imperfections, which the contemporary medicine has all over the world, I am convinced that we can select from the wide offer of quality and respectable health services. Therefore do not hesitate to invest in health, but always consider whether your expectations are real and whether by chance you don’t expect a miracle by these services. Only the real expectations will teach you to invest in health continuously, thereby you will also reach optimum health profits, to which I wish you good luck.
Czech nurses enrich their careers with attractive international experience

Due to the phenomenon of an ever-rising aging population in developed countries, along with the increasing quality of health care, the nursing profession ranks among the most respected and demanded professions internationally. Therefore, professional education and knowledge of English opens doors for Czech nurses to international careers in many attractive countries of the world. Socially, as well as financially, the work of a nurse is rewarded the most in the USA. However, it is a difficult road to obtain a nursing license and a working permit for the USA. **G5 Plus** is the only company in the Czech Republic which has firmly marked the best path to this goal with the program **Nurses to the USA**. Prior to being registered as a nurse in the USA, Czech nurses can also participate in the program “Au-pair & Study in the USA” – 12-24 months long Au-Pair stays in the US with American families combined with an intensive preparation for the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) and NCLEX (National Council Licensure Examination). Successful Au-Pairs will return to the Czech Republic and apply for a permanent work permit (Green Card) as a Registered Nurse (RN) in the USA. Another possibility is to work in chosen hospitals in Saudi Arabia or Ireland.

According to a yearly nation-wide survey published in the US World News and Report, nursing has been the Number 1 most respected profession in the United States for the last eight years (except in 2001, when US firefighters were voted Number 1 because of their bravery during the 9/11 terrorist attacks.) Despite their daily dedication and effort, such a high standing seems unreachable to Czech nurses. Also out of reach for many years is the opportunity to work and gain experience as a registered nurse in the US. Thanks to the synergy that has ignited in several (mainly demographic and political) factors, and intensive international cooperation under the umbrella of **G5 Plus**, this possibility is now real.

**Sestra (Nurse)**
the most popular Czech nursing monthly which publishes information on the program on a regular basis,

**U. S. Business School Praha**
which provides its premises for all necessary nursing trainings, and

**Dell**
the computer company which, as a technology partner, equips Czech nurses with up-to-date technology and enables them to be connected to their friends and families whenever they want and wherever they are.

After their return from abroad, **G5 Plus** will provide nurses with a type of deployment service, a framework where nurses with international experience will be offered to hospitals within the Czech Republic so they can take advantage of their new knowledge and expertise as well as their English language skills.

Developed countries, and particularly the United Stated, have been struggling with a nursing shortage for many years, which has occurred mostly due to a demographic trend. US statistics stress mainly the following data:
- extended length of life of the American population;
- decreased birth rate of the American population;
- aging of the large generation of “baby boomers”;
- an increase in the average age of nurses (which is now over 43 years, in 2010 more than 40% of nurses will be older than 50);
- nursing colleges and universities struggling to expand enrollment levels to meet the rising demand for nursing care in the US (number of educated nursing school graduates who sat for the NCLEX, the national licensure examination for registered nurses, decreased by 20% from 1995–2003);
- in 2001, 126,000 nurses were needed; for the year 2020, a shortage of more than 400,000 nurses is predicted.

Problems are even greater in warm weather southern states such as – Texas, Florida, and California – where a large number of Americans move from cold Northern states to retire. Nurses are offered a very attractive salary. In 2003, the average annual income was $45,500 and is rising. Many employers offer flexible work schedules, child care, educational benefits, and attractive financial bonuses.

The American government is helping to ease the problem by offering a very attractive immigration policy. Foreign nurses with the appropriate education and sufficient level of English are awarded a Green Card (unlimited working permit) by the US government not only for themselves but also for their family members.

Every American state has different regulations concerning the access of foreign nurses. The process of obtaining an American nursing license and working permit is interconnected with studying the complicated regulations and high administrative effort. **G5 Plus** has a team of experts available on both sides of the Atlantic, consisting of experienced lawyers, HR specialists and health care managers and directors. Thanks to the team’s methodology...
and adept professionalism, it is possible to circumvent particular bureaucratic obstacles. The result is the maximum “comfort” of participants who can spend most of their time concentrating on English and professional preparation rather than wrangling with complicated administration work.

**G5 Plus** has decided to make Texas an entrance gate to the USA. According to statistics, today’s Texas (the second largest US state, after Alaska, with twenty million inhabitants) is comprised of up to one million residents with Czech ancestry, making Czech Texans the fourth dominant Texas ethnic minority.

Ancestors of most of today’s Czech Texans began their journey across the ocean in the first emigrant wave about 150 years ago. Despite the generations that have passed since, it is still possible to hear fluent Czech across Texas, often with a strong Moravian dialect. You can even hear a Czech poem or a song you’d never hear in the Czech Republic because it was forgotten many years ago, but in Texas it has been passed on from generation to generation for a century and a half.

Czech Texans are appropriately proud of their origin, traditions and history and make a maximum effort to keep and build their original identity. **G5 Plus** supports them in this effort. Help and support has also been offered by regional bodies of the Czech Ministry of Culture and the City of Prague. These institutions supported the official visit of **G5 Plus** representatives to Czech communities in Texas in spring 2005, when Czech Texans were given many souvenirs and promotional material. Through **G5 Plus** the Mayor of Prague, Pavel Bém, presented Czech compatriots with several copies of a memorial plaque with an official greeting and expression of support for increased relations between the old and the new home of Czech Texans. The original city sign “HLAVNÍ MĚSTO PRAHA” (Capital City Prague) will represent this support to Czech Texans forever.

Representatives of Czech Texans were very well prepared for the visit, so that within only a few days, **G5 Plus** was able to have many official, as well as unofficial, visits and listen to the wishes and suggestions of Czech compatriots concerning how to best maintain and improve relations between their old and new homeland. Texas counts among the climatically kind southern states with a problematic nursing shortage. During a visit to one of the healthcare centers, the Judge of Fayette County, Edward Jancek, suggested the idea to consider the possibility of employing Czech nurses in the local hospitals and medical centers. Czech Texans are also enthusiastic about the culture and language contribution that would result from the long-term stay of Czech nurses.

**G5 Plus** turned this impulse into a successful result – the unique program Nurses to the USA was soon created. The Czech cultural dimension of the project minimizes the usual problems of moving to a new country, culture and environment, which is so often a barrier when working in other countries that may be geographically closer to home but differ significantly from Czech society and culture. At the end of a long flight nurses can look forward to a warm welcome and stay in a virtual “home” environment, as well as a very quick and respectful integration into American society to which Texas is an absolutely ideal entrance gate.
General Teaching Hospital in Prague gets new apparatuses for newly-born babies, thanks to Winterthur

Representatives of Winterthur and Nadace Křižovatka (Crossroads Foundation) have presented a gift to the Children and Adolescent Clinic of the General Teaching Hospital in Prague, namely 4 apparatuses for monitoring the breathing of newly-born babies, Babysense II. This apparatus enables staff to regularly check the breathing of small babies, thus preventing breathing stoppages that may result in sudden infant death syndrome.

Babysense II apparatuses are used for monitoring the breathing of babies up to the age of three months. It is during this time that babies can suffer from irregular breathing or breathing stoppages, which may result in Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.

“Winterthur has cooperated with Nadace Křižovatka for more than six years. During this time, apparatuses for monitoring the breathing of newly-born babies have been supplied to a number of Czech hospitals where they have helped save many little patients”, says Petr Žaluda, Winterthur’s CEO for the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic.

Nadace Křižovatka (Crossroads Foundation) came into being in 1995 with the goal of assisting children jeopardised by still relatively unknown “Sudden Infant Death Syndrome”. Therefore, it mainly focuses on equipping Czech hospitals with apparatuses for the monitoring of small babies’ breathing.

Winterthur penzijní fond has long been the largest pension fund in the Czech market in respect of the volume of assets under management. Winterthur pojišťovna is one of the fastest growing life insurers in the Czech Republic. In the field of charity, Winterthur has also been active in its home country, Switzerland, where it helps organise – inter alia – regular passenger car safety tests, in cooperation with Dekra.

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Come to discover the magic of healthy breathing and relaxation into a salt cave.

Several tens of artificial salt caves were established in the Czech Republic during the last year, predominantly on spa places and recently a few have been established even in Prague. The reason is apparent: positive effects of ionised salt on human body have been proved medically and moreover a distinct relaxation nature of the stay in that environment is being appreciated.

The microclimatic salt cave intended for curative-escapist purposes is a room whose walls have been built up of worked blocks of natural rock salt, jagged roof with artificial stalactites induces impression of a real cave, and on the floor a thick layer of mixture of salts, from which prevailing Dead Sea salt determines the unique composition of microelements in the atmosphere, has been poured out. By the heat energy coming out of the floor heating system the air is being saturated with elements presented in salt (iodine, potassium, sodium, calcium, magnesium, bromine, selenium). The lighting regime and cave sound system have been adapted for the purposes of resting for which the convertible beds serve. These beds make it possible for each visitor to set up a relaxation position most suitable for him. The air-conditioning unit provides bacteriologically clean air. Constant temperature closely over 20 °C keeps optimum composition of ionised air within a time period of 45 minutes during which a curatively-escapist seance occurs. To enjoy absolute relaxing comfort the covering blankets are at your disposal. The cave is entered in common light clothes, and the slips that each visitor puts on before entering the cave protect the footwear and salt purity as well. Children appreciate the possibility of playing with salt like in a sandbox.

Expert medical opinions liken a repeated stay in the salt cave to the stay by the seaside and compare their beneficial effects. They agree on the fact that staying in the salt cave is suitable both for the prevention and support of treatment, regeneration and moderating a series of diseases. In the first place it concerns respiration tract diseases, chronic nasal cavity or throat or larynx inflammation, asthma and generally persistent inflammations of airways. The remission of health problems has been described with a series of skin diseases and allergies of various origin. The Dead Sea salt is well known for its effect on psoriasis. Hall-therapy has positive effects on heart and circulatory system diseases, during a high blood pressure or after-heart-attack states. Present iodine supports lowered thyroid gland activity. Last but not least the relaxation in an unique ionised salt environment with a decent lighting and sounds of nature is an oasis for the clients exposed at work to all forms of stress, overworking, chronic fatigue and neuroses. Repeated stay in the salt cave returns both psychic and physical force and well-being after a hard working day and strengthens health and vitality in leisure time.

The effects are, of course, individual and mostly can be experienced after at least five repeated seances in short intervals in succession in a way that such regime is compared to a week stay by the seaside. Also the following regime of maintaining cave relaxations is entirely individual and is certainly a pleasant and affordable alternative for preserving your health from the earliest youth to the old age.

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Dermatology: where are we

Dermatology is a basic medical specialty in all, but two EU countries. It is a branch of medicine growing mainly during last decades. That is a period of time when new technologies, both drugs and procedures, started to change the face of dermatology. Classical drugs, even revolution- ary ones like corticosteroids, are going to be replaced by the new class of topical immunomodulators (pimecrolimus and tacrolimus) which are as well as effective for treating i.e. atopic eczema, but do not lead to skin atrophy and other adverse reactions. Another topical drugs modifying immune response of the skin (misquimod) are introduced recently to the treatment of skin cancers. Thus, the classical approach, surgical procedure, is going to be enriched by application of ointments allowing treat the skin cancer without pain, anaesthesia, sutures, bleeding and in home settings. Similar disorders could be treated by so called photodynamic therapy when local sensitizing drug is put under occlusion for three hours on the surface of skin carcinoma and then irradiated by visible light of 630 nm. The patient again does not suffer from pain or any other inconvenience. Systemic drugs for psoriasis therapy like cyclosporin A, methotrexat and retinoids are slowly substituted by “biologicals”, systemic immunomodulators targeting the inflammation of the skin at the molecular level which could be considered as a parallel to insulin therapy of diabetics. Thanks to modern technologies, we are able to diagnose and manage previously untreatable skin conditions. Examples could be the digital dermoscopy, a brand new method for evaluating mainly flat skin pigmented lesions suspected for melanoma. This method, if used by skilled dermatologist, could save unnecessary excisions of atypical moles archived in the system and able to be compared with the current status anytime. On the other hand, digital dermoscopy allows choosing more suspicious lesions for surgical removal in time. An important part of dermatology is its research profiting from new diagnostic methods – i.e. skin ultrasound, magnetic resonance of the skin, confocal microscopy, molecular methods for detection of microbes, serve to discover not only skin diseases, but also to study properties of dermatocosmetics or drugs.

I believe any specialist is happy to help his/her patients to solve both, healthy and cosmetic problems of the skin, because our skin is our mirror, our ticket to the society. We could not only manage vascular birthmarks (stork bite), tumors, unwanted hairs, warts, etc. using high energy lasers or other light sources, but also to treat vitiligo (with excimer light 308 nm – Excilite), to diminish wrinkles, hyperpigmentations, scars by chemical peels, implantations, botulotoxin, non-invasive lasers and radiofrequencies etc. The latest news is therapy of “cellulitis” by completely non-invasive ultrasound liposuction without any needles and/or anaesthesia (Ultrashape).

AND WHAT ABOUT CZECH DERMATOLOGY?
The very beginnings of Czech dermatology go back to the 18th century and its history was closely connected to European dermatology due to the outstanding importance of Prague for Europe. Prague could be considered as a bridge between dermatology in the Austro-Hungarian Empire, Germany, and Europe. Furthermore, some brilliant doctors who were born in our Country have enriched international medicine with their original findings (i.e. Jan Evangelista Purkyně, Gregor Mendel, and Sigmund Freud). Czech dermatology nowadays is a flourishing branch of medicine, starting its main development after the Velvet revolution in 1989. To that time, we had only limited chances to get latest information and to share our knowledge. Since the beginning of 90’s, a lot of Czech dermatologists could be trained abroad and bring their experience back to our Country.

I was lucky to be one of the first ones who had spent nearly one year at the dermatology kingdom, at Vienna university department chaired by Prof. Klaus Wolff, one of the fathers of modern international dermatology. He has completely changed my way of perceiving dermatology – not as a rigid specialty limited to prescribing local treatments, but as a quickly moving branch overlapping others like surgery, plastic surgery, allergology, phlebology, microbiology etc. I have understood how to be relatively independent thinker to examine my patients and to treat them with passion. I have “absorbed” all diagnostic and therapeutic approaches incl. most modern ones (i.e. lasers, laboratory diagnostics) and decided to introduce them to our Czech reality. The most important for growth is a possibility of comparison. Entering different international societies and getting chance to organize European congress for more than 6,000 colleagues in Prague in 2002. I could judge Czech dermatology as a teenage keen concurring World with some experience, skills and knowledge which should be kept, cultivated and constantly improved by learning. Those dermatologists who understood the necessity of international co-operation could offer to our patients a European standard of dermatology.
and where are we going?

Prague Dermatology Centre

Beginnings are never easy. In 1997, we opened the first private dermatology clinic at Charles square (we had the first epilation laser in Prague). In 2001, we started Prague Dermatology Centre in the vicinity of the Charles bridge, but after flooding in 2002, we had to move to another place. Now, five years later, our Centre is starting at the third, but definite address, in the villa in Prague 8, closed to the University Hospital Bulovka.

Prague Dermatology Centre is the centre for dermatology, cosmetic dermatology, and lymphology. The equipment of the centre comprises of last generation lasers for surgery, epilation and therapy of vascular lesions and warts (Deka-Mela company, part of the American concern Cynosure). The unique devices, the only ones in the Czech Republic, are 1. Excilite (known in Italy as Bioskin) phototherapy device 308 nm for treating mainly vitiligo and psoriasis, and 2. Ultrasound non-invasive liposuction without surgery for permanent reduction of fat tissue. Another most modern one is the digital dermoscopy for perfect examination of pigmented lesions allowing choose suspected pigmented naevi for further surgical intervention. Operating theatre, outpatient clinic for dermatology, ophthalmology and lymphology, all together with reception and a luxury cosmetic setting are just parts of Prague Dermatology Centre overlooking Prague valley.

AND HOW DOES OUR CENTRE DIFFER FROM OTHER AESTHETIC INSTITUTIONS?

We offer to our patients the highest scientific level of care guaranteed by well-trained staff chaired by the university professor and head. This is unique, as like as devotion to all dermatological disorders – diseases of skin, hair, nails – and to beauty aspects of those disorders, incl. ageing of the skin. Thus, our Centre offers both, disease and cosmetic point of view on all dermatological problems based on the latest scientific knowledge. Prague Dermatology Centre serves also as an institute of medical cosmetics (dermatocosmetics), where only products underwent clinical trials are used.

WHAT ABOUT THE LIST OF PROCEDURES?

Consultation on problems with skin, hair, nails, skin-ageing, diagnostics of pigmented lesions with digital dermoscopy, therapy of vitiligo and psoriasis with Excilite (narrow-band phototherapy), excisions of skin lesions (moles), plastic operations of eyelids, wrinkle treatment (chemical peels, botulotoxin, implants of hyaluronic acid), scar therapy, complex approach to cellulitis (both manual drainage and pressotherapy), laser epilation, laser therapy of dilated vessels, rosacea, acne, warts, etc. Medical procedures could be accompanied by a complete cosmetic care, incl. permanent make-up, lymphdrainage of the face, body, and cosmetic products.

MEDICAL STAFF

Prague Dermatology Centre has chair of dermatology – Prof. Jana Hercogová, MD, PhD, the president of the Czech Academy of Dermatology and Venereology, and a chair of ophthalmology – Pavel Rezek, MD, PhD. The president of Czech Society of Contact Lenses. Dermatologists are Jorga Fialová, MD, specialist on cosmetic dermatology, lasers, surgery, Gréta Wohllová, MD, specialist on cosmetic dermatology, lasers, permanent make-up, and Jana Kellerová, MD, specialist on lasers, phototherapy and clinical trials. The staff members speak English, German, Italian and Russian languages.

ACCREDITATIONS, RELATIONSHIPS TO ABROAD

Prague Dermatology Centre has accreditation of the Czech Medical Chamber for continual medical educations in dermatology, accreditation for cosmetic dermatology as a part of accreditation of Dermatology Department University Hospital Bulovka, and serves as a teaching clinic for the students of 2nd Medical school, Charles University. There are now two offices sharing the same villa with Prague Dermatology Centre: IKAROS foundation (aimed to prevention, research, diagnostics, and therapy of skin cancers) and the scientific secretariat of the world congress – 10th International Congress of the Int. Society of Dermatology to be held in May 2009 in Prague. Prague Dermatology Centre could advice dermatologists all over the world while travelling thanks to the network of international colleagues (Prague Dermatology Centre is accredited also as a Training Centre of the International Society of Dermatology).

SUMMARY OF UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS OF PRAGUE DERMATOLOGY CENTRE

Advanced technology ULTRASHAPE: non-invasive liposuction, EXCILITE: narrow-band UVB phototherapy for vitiligo and psoriasis, lasers Smartoffice and Smartepil (Deka-Mela Cynosure) for epilation, vascular lesions, surgery, warts, moles etc., digital dermatoscope MIMPs etc.

EXPERTS IN THE FIELD OF COSMETIC DERMATOLOGY

1. head professor of dermatology and chair of university department in Prague, visiting professor in Florence, Siena, Milano, scientific board member of the “European Society of Cosmetic and Aesthetic Dermatology”, board member of the “Czech Society of Laser and Aesthetic Medicine” “Czech Society of Dermatology”, executive committee member of the “International Society of Dermatology”, and president of the “Czech Academy of Dermatology and Venereology”


Individual care of our patients, professional skills, conjunctive with university department of dermatology in Prague and abroad.

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In its official documents the World Health Organisation talks about obesity to be the plague of the 21st century. The occurrence of this disease assumes epidemic proportions in some countries. The figures for the Czech Republic are alarming: in the population over 20 years the overweight women comprise more than 50% and men more than 60%. There is, however, a certain group of people there who by no means can be termed obese, yet sometimes even all they life long suffer mentally from reasons of a silhouette deformation. This deformation is caused by an accumulation of subcutaneous fat in certain body areas, so called problem zones. Particularly this is the question of outer and inner sides of thighs, lower abdomen, inner knees, rarely then the upper half of abdomen, arms and the buttock. We have talked about the way of getting rid of these undesirable fat-pads to the surgeon and specialist in bodyshaping, Dr Walter Linzer.

MR DOCTOR, CAN YOU TELL US HOW YOU YOURSELF PERFORM LIPOSUC- TION AND WHERE DO YOU SEE ADVANTAGES OF YOUR METHOD?

One of the greatest advantages is the fact that the surgical intervention is carried out only by means of ambulatory methods, in any case the patient can have a meal before that. A vast preoporative examination can be left out, we require the blood count only. Because of the fact that a total narcosis can be left out, no hospitalisation is needed and this projects very favourably into the price of surgical intervention. The patient will stay 3–4 hours at the clinic.

Within the first hour a great quantity of special lotion, which apart from other things also contains the substance for local skin and subcutis anaesthetisation, is put into the adipose tissue very slowly usually painlessly. For this quite new method of anaesthetisation the name tumescent local anaesthesia has become common in the world.

The word “tumesence” is of Latin origin and means “swelling”. And there actually lies a secret of the whole method in that.

During another hour, when the client is lying calmly, fat cells are literally greedily sucking this liquid in them, they are getting larger several times, thereby becoming more vulnerable.

Within the following third hour the liposuction itself is then being carried out by special, only 2–3 mm thick cannulas. Little skin wounds caused by them are then treated with a thin narrow adhesive plaster. The suture is cancelled completely.

WHEN THE FAT HAS BEEN SUCKED OFF PAINLESSLY IN THIS WAY, DOESN’T THE SKIN THEN REMAIN PERMANENTLY SLACK IN THIS AREA OR DON’T ANY SKIN FOLDS EVEN EMERGE?

Nothing such will occur, namely nor even with the older ladies. My oldest female client was 75 years old, I also saw very good results with the female clients of about sixty. The trick lies in that that thin cannulas have got an rounded end. On their smooth penetration through the adipose tissue no lesions of fine veins and nerves occur and also the so-called skin hang-apparatus remains quite intact. Hence when the superfluous fat has been sucked off, thanks to this intact apparatus the skin stretches out completely within 2–3 weeks and sticks to the muscular base firmly. Wearing a special tailored elastic garment for about 14 days helps to the skin a little bit simultaneously.

THE WHOLE SURGICAL INTERVENTION IS NOT THEN PAINFUL, BUT WHAT ABOUT HOURS AND DAYS FOLLOWING AFTER THAT?

From my own experience I can say responsibly that 95% of clients do neither after the intervention nor in following days need any medicaments to ease the pain. To support this assertion I can add that the duration of disablement is 1–2 days. Sport can be practised after two weeks approximately.

CAN THE FAT IN THE SUCKED-OFF AREA GROW UP?

Our body has a total quantity and arrangement of adipose (fat) cells predetermined genetically from the cradle. They are capable of getting larger up to hundred times, but they have got no capability of reproduction. So if they were liquidated by suction, the sucked-off area can never acquire original thickness.
AND WHAT ABOUT THE CLIENTS’ TOTAL CONTENTMENT?
95 of 100 are as content as me after the surgical intervention. Quite a small painless correction is needed with 3 – 5 % after several months. It’s better a small rest of fat to suck off, than to suck off too much at the first surgical intervention. Thereby the aesthetically very ugly hollows, which later can be very hardly corrected, could emerge.

WHOM YOU DON’T RECOMMEND THIS SURGICAL INTERVENTION TO?
The liposuction can not be done to the people taking specific drugs, to those with total obesity and to the people who expect sorting-out partnership problems by it.

WHO MAKES UP THEIR MIND ABOUT THIS SURGICAL INTERVENTION MOSTLY?
It’s the people unsatisfied with their body and those who have failed with all dietary measures.

MR DOCTOR, WHAT YOU HAVE SAID TO US UP TO NOW MUST BE LIKE MUSIC TO THE EAR OF THE OBESE. SIMPLY ONE TAKES A SUCKING CANNULA AND THE PROBLEM IS OVER …
In no case is the liposuction more comfortable method for reduction of superfluous fat at total obesity. Also all the offered miraculous tablets, teas, devices and diets are failing here. In the final analysis, as millions of obese people all over the world can confirm, their purse gets thinner at the most.

That’s why I recommend to consult a physician – dietologist.

The liposuction in tumescent anaesthesia offered by us is a verified worldwide tested effective method of permanent removal of fat deformities which resist to diets and exercises as well and which give the by-nature unjustly affected people a hard time.

Non-obligatory discrete consultation with a specialist of my branch may offer them a solution of the problem.

In the end I would like to add that most of my clients is very kindly surprised by painless course of the whole surgical intervention and a great rise in life optimism can be watch with them. As if a new life balance had come with new nice body contours back to them.

THANKS FOR THE TALK
This state of the art Plastic Surgery Centre is situated right in the centre of Karlovy Vary. Taking care of you will be a team of professionals, headed by a plastic surgeon with 25 years of experience in the field.

From the beginning of the nineteenth century plastic surgery has developed in a relatively large discipline which can already be divided into particular subdisciplines: surgery of congenital defects, surgery of hand, after-accident reconstruction surgery, surgery of burns, microsurgery and last but not least also aesthetic surgery which stands for plastic surgery for many people.

This aesthetic surgery is not a matter of hysterical members of a capitalistic society, as it was indicated to us during the last era when it was more or less Cinderella (one official workplace – The Institute of Cosmetics /Ústav kosmetiky/ in Prague for all Czech lands).

Up to the present it has developed into a relatively extensive discipline carrying out surgical operations more or less on the whole surface of the body.

It has become a lucrative discipline, for this is mostly the question of paid services which the health insurance does not apply to. That results in the fact that many workplaces where working doctors have not got a required education for this profession offer aesthetic performances directly or indirectly. It’s good to know that every plastic surgeon must have a five-year practice on a clinic workplace of plastic surgery to be allowed to take a state professional examination (attestation) of this subject.

Further then they must have several years of working in the discipline under the medical supervision of an experienced plastic surgeon. We all know that each surgical intervention takes its risk. That’s why it is better not to increase that risk any more and undergo the required surgical intervention with professionals. Lower price which many unprofessional workplaces underbid may cost much more in the end. Sometimes in such cases negative aesthetic consequences cannot be removed at all. Therefore, if I may recommend – if you go to see a plastic surgeon, require a proof of his being the plastic surgeon actually. In my opinion every plastic surgeon will show you the certificate of attestation.
in the discipline of plastic surgery without any trouble. By the way its copy together with other certificates should be hanging on the wall of their study.

A consultation with the plastic surgeon where a client’s problem has been discussed and a solution recommended shall always precede the operation itself. At the same time the risks of required operation have minutely been discussed, too. Consultations are mostly paid services, yet for that all I recommend - you had better visit more workplaces and afterwards choose the one which according to information provided and also accessibility seems to you the most suitable.

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At the very beginning I must admit – I’m professionally deformed.

You know, I’ve been engaging in aesthetic medicine – especially aesthetic dermatology – for more than ten years. It’s my profession and hobby at the same time. Every day I’m solving aesthetic problems of people, listening to their laments and fixed ideas. Thus there’s no wonder I reached the state that whenever I’m among people – in the tube, tram or theatre – I’m immediately mapping visible parts of their figures and solving them in my thoughts. At first I had even big urges to give out visiting cards or leaflets to draw their attention to the fact that we are here and ready (this is already over, but anyway…).

And believe me that practically one hundred per cent of them has got some work for us – aesthetic dermatologists and plastic surgeons.

Try it deliberately sometime. Look around inconspicuously at work, in a shop when shopping or when travelling to work. It’s sufficient to watch the faces, necks and possibly hands of your fellow citizens and you will very quickly find out what I’m speaking about.

In the first place, various warts and protruding moles, often with black hair, are almost always most striking. Even one such a mole may spoil the impression of otherwise beautiful face. Because when one looks at the other one’s face, it should be the eyes which draw your attention, tell something in the blink of an eye, capture. But such a wart near the nose distracts your sight towards it immediately. When talking to someone, so you often “gaze” at it instead of watching the eyes however beautiful they may be. And that shouldn’t occur. And what about the situation when there are more such “protuberances” there?

Let’s go on. Try to notice how many young women around you vainly conceal dark maps of pigment on their forehead, cheeks or upper lip by a make-up. It’s really mostly young women who “pay” for safe sex by this undesirable pigmentation. Thereby I mean it’s often the tax on precautions and simultaneous desire for a modern tan. There’s a lot of them and I find them almost always among my fellow-travellers.

With older people, precautions may not be responsible for a face pigmentation, but sometimes drugs and then already, unfortunately, the age as well. But why to reconcile oneself to the fact that these pigment blotches suggest various things about their age when otherwise they look so “chic”?!?

In the same tube carriage, where I noticed previous “cases”, there are surely also several young girls and men having neither warts nor pigmentation, but despite of this fact they are potential clients of an aesthetic dermatology institution. Quite so, it’s the youth with a so called problematic skin, but frequently often with a really unsightly acne as well. To tell the truth, in recent years it’s been not only the “youth”, but ever more frequently the people in their thirties. I don’t know exactly what causes the boundary of acne to be shifting towards the “older” age-group, but I’ve got my own theory, anyone who is interested in, can discuss it with me. But I’m not going to discuss with the people who solve the problem of acne by purchasing preparations in a drugstore and nor it occurs to them that it can only be solved preferably under the professional supervision of physicians who hold in their hands something more than only “clear and clean”!

So, does it seem to you we have already exhausted all strikingnesses which you can reveal on your fellow-travellers’ faces? By far not. It only demands a little more attention and a little bit of experience.

You know, my female clients keep saying to me how they already became deformed by me, how they aren’t reading magazines in the tube at all, but looking automatically around and trying to guess what kind of intervention would match to the woman standing beside them and how they themselves wonder that I can go out “with it” among people at all. So we can proceed to other, maybe already less striking imperfections.

What the considerable facial expression forming the permanent washboard on the forehead of the gesticulating lady? That madam which she is so vehemently debating with can’t possibly see her through the fallen eyelids! She must raise her eyebrows up to heaven so that people think she’s got big round eyes!

The man opposite is certain to drink three “shots” since his youth that he’s got so red handle of the face. And he’s got faces like primers, all veinlets. A mountain guide? Sunbathing at all times? But the young woman beside is really too pretty. Young, a beautiful complexion, interesting eyes, there’s just nothing imperfect with her. For all that, the narrow lips… as if she hasn’t got the upper lip… she looks excessively strict, unapproachable. Pity, with her. For all that, the narrow lips… as if she hasn’t got the upper lip… she looks excessively strict, unapproachable. Pity, with her. For all that, the narrow lips… as if she hasn’t got the upper lip… she looks excessively strict, unapproachable. Pity, with her.

And I can see her girlfriend just only from behind, but can’t overlook the pretty slim waist of hers, rounded backbone and… The look will stop above the thighs having the typical shape of a jug in the fitted jeans. What a pity, such a nice figure and it will just be getting worse! And the lady with a child… And the young woman with such a flat little chest… And the man with something…

To tell the truth, I think this space isn’t really sufficient to depict what all I’m encountering on my ways among people. And after all I am frustrated by the fact that still only a fraction of these people find their way to us, into aesthetic medicine centres. Today and every day I say to myself in my spirit: “Look at yourself carefully in a mirror, don’t wait until someone warns you of it, be objective to yourself, make a joy for yourself…” But… why I’ve actually been expanding on all that today? I’ve got it!

All these problems can be solved by means of lasers, chemical peelings, microdermabrasions, skin fillings, botulinum toxin, plastic surgery, cosmetic care and last but not least also by having a pleasant talk to your aesthetic physician in their consulting room! Take my advice, even the talk will do!

Have a healthy and beautiful time!
Private Plastic Surgery Centre of South Bohemia

The plastic and aesthetic surgery department of the Sanatorium ART specialises in the operations solving cosmetic issues, operations rectifying the manifestations of aging, innate or traumatogenic (post-accident) variation in appearance. The above-standard equipment of the whole building of the Sanatorium ART corresponds to the specialisation of our department. The building is situated in the centre of the city of České Budějovice in the park zone with parking and public transportation facilities.

There is an ambulance section, where examinations, consultations, applications of injections and small skin lesion treatments are carried out, operating theatre and a postoperative department in the building. The operating theatre and postoperative rooms equipment complies with the latest medical requirements and provides the clients with maximum care, comfort and privacy.

The plastic and aesthetic surgery department of the Sanatorium ART carries out these operating performances:

**OPERATIONS OF MANIFESTATIONS OF AGING**
- operation of eyelids
- face lifting (slack face and neck operation)
- slack forehead and eyebrow operation
- wrinkle correction by fillings

**OPERATIONS OF INNATE OR TRAUMATOGENIC VARIATIONS**
- corrective operation of nose, chin, auricles and lips

**OPERATIONS IMPROVING THE BODY RELIEF**
- breasts enlargement
- breasts modelling
- breasts reduction
- moulding with breasts enlargement
- liposuction (suction of subcutaneous fat)
- slack abdominal wall operation
- operation of slack thighs, buttock, arms

**CORRECTION OF THE PARTIAL LOSS OF HAIR**
- transplant of own hair

**REMOVAL OF CUTANEOUS AND SUBCUTANEOUS FORMATIONS**

During the examination and consultation each patient is familiarised in detail with the issue of performance, operating method and real possibilities of obtaining a result.

Inquiries about intended performances will be answered also by e-mail, the suitability of performance can also partially be judged by a digital photograph sent in.

Operating performances are carried out under local anaesthetisation, conduction anaesthesia (field blocking) or total anaesthesia. The way of anaesthetisation is chosen according to the type of operating performance, patient’s health condition and with respect to his or her wish. The total anaesthesia (narcosis) is led by specialists in the branch of anaesthesiology and the best-tolerated preparations are being used.

After performances under local anaesthetisation a patient may either leave immediately or is shortly put to bed.

After performances under narcosis patients are hospitalised in the Sanatorium ART’s in-patient department. Their stay is minimised to the most necessary period of postoperative convalescence. Non-stop postoperative care is provided by a trained staff and physician throughout the stay. After release the patient is provided with necessary drugs, a term of the check-up in the sanatorium’s ambulance is agreed and the patient gets the physician’s telephone number to be possibly able to consult potential problems.

The care after an operating performance is being carried out not only until healing, but, with most more demanding operations, after a lapse of time to evaluate the quality of scars and the result reached.

We consider the patient’s satisfaction to be a keystone to the success of our plastic and aesthetic surgery department.
The Perfect Clinic facility specializes in plastic and aesthetic surgery. It is located in a quiet area of Prague with available parking. The facility includes a swimming pool, restaurant and park with a view of the city center. The operating room is well equipped with modern equipment, and patients have the option of a single or double room. Each room has its own bathroom and television. Patients are post-operatively monitored around the clock by doctors and nurses – there is an intensive care unit available as well.

The staff is comprised of independent plastic surgeons, who are licensed by the Czech Medical Cabinet. MUDr. Roman Kufa completed long-term residencies in the United Kingdom, in Addenbrooke’s Hospital of Cambridge, the Centre for Cosmetic Surgery Highgate, London, Centre for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Mount Vernon Hospital, London and in Germany -Klinik für Plastische Chirurgie, Handchirurgie, Gelsenkirchen-Buer. He is also a part of the Department of Plastic Surgery of University Hospital Královské Vinohrady, Prague. He is a member of JEP, a member of the Society of Aesthetic Surgery, Society of Hand Surgery, Society for the Development of the Use of Lasers in Medicine, and the International Confederation for Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery (IPRAS).

MUDr. Jiří Padera functions in: the Department of Plastic Surgery of University Hospital Královské Vinohrady, Prague. He is a member of JEP Plastic Surgery, a member of the Society of Aesthetic Surgery, and a member of the Society of Burns Medicine.

The spectrum of offered procedures: Eyelid Surgery, corrective surgery of auricles, Nose Reshaping, Face-lifts, Lip Augmentation, Botox applications, Injectables, Liposuction (Lipoplasty), Breast Reduction, Breast Lift, Breast Augmentation, Tummy Tucks (Abdominoplastia), Microdermabrasion, and a variety of hand surgeries. The most commonly asked for procedures by patients, are liposuction (Lipoplasty) and breast enlargement.

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Perfect Clinic is visited by many foreign patients, which we attribute to the increased quality of plastic surgery services in the Czech republic, and points to many improvements in the industry. Before the operation, the patient has a detailed conversation with the surgeon, and the best course of operation is determined. It is possible to arrange procedures in English, German, Russian and in Polish. Upon demand, we can arrange for interpreters in other languages.

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Prague Plastic Surgery, led by MUDr. Tomas Dolezal is a private plastic surgery clinic located in the center of Prague.

Its area of specialization is in plastic surgery for aesthetic purposes. The clinic is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and provides a welcoming atmosphere. Alongside a large operating room, the clinic has an experienced and compassionate staff to guide you through even the most complex aesthetic surgical procedures. Examinations and pre-operative consultations are considered a given when undergoing surgery. Individual rooms for in-patients come equipped with private bathrooms, televisions and telephones. Much attention is given to maximum comfort, privacy, post operative care which is accompanied by non-stop patient monitoring by trained medical personnel. The clinic offers the following operations.

Dr. Tomas Dolezal, born in 1967, studied medicine in Prague (Medical College of Charles University). After graduating in 1991 he worked in the eye surgery department at Kladno Hospital and then from 1993 at the surgical clinic of the General University Hospital in Prague. In 1996 he obtained his first qualification in surgery. From 1996 to 2002 Dr. Dolezal worked with the surgery team at the Plastic Surgery Dept. of the Prague Institute of Medical Cosmetic and at the Plastic Surgery Clinic of the University Hospital within the framework of a long term attachment. In 2001 he obtained his qualification in plastic surgery and received a licence from the Czech Medical Council in this discipline. From 1996 to 2002 Dr. Dolezal worked with the surgery team at the Plastic Surgery Dept. of the Prague Institute of Medical Cosmetic and at the Plastic Surgery Clinic of the University Hospital within the framework of a long term attachment. In 2001 he obtained his qualification in plastic surgery and received a licence from the Czech Medical Council in this discipline. Dr. Dolezal has been on specialist attachments in the USA, Great Britain, Austria, Germany and Greece. In 1999 he gave a paper at the plastic surgery world congress held in the USA. He is also a member of the Plastic Surgery Society, the Aesthetic Surgery Society and the Society for the Use of Lasers in Medicine of the Czech Medical Society, the European Society of Aesthetic Laser Surgery and the International Confederation for Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery.

WE ASKED MUDr. DOLEZAL

How would you connect the following two words; beautiful ______ and a perfect body?

Unfortunately, I can’t say. Obviously there are ideal proportions but these are limited by several factors; era, society and local culture. Elsewhere there exists a current ideal type, in Brazil, for example. The shifting concept of an ideal figure has changed from the twenties in the twentieth century and today. It is also important to realize that the phenomena of a woman’s ideal of beauty is not just a current concern but has been ever-present.

Upon first contact with a prospective patient, if I may ask, what is the nature of your conversation?

During the first visit, which can last anywhere from thirty minutes to an hour, I get acquainted with the specific wishes of each patient. After careful evaluation, in which we find the most appropriate route for both parties, we choose the methods that are both technically and aesthetically fit. When necessary, I direct the patients desires to the bounds of reality.

Does it ever happen that you refuse carry out a surgical procedure?

The patients’ desire to change their appearance must come from a psychological root, and there must be much confidence placed in this desire. Sometimes, during initial conversations with a patient, I find out that they are seeking surgical procedures because of outside pressures. In these cases I obviously do not carry out the operation.

Can plastic surgery guarantee 100% result as such breast augmentation?

No plastic surgeon can guarantee the complete success of an operation after an invasive procedure. The risk involved in breast enhancement is carefully considered before allowing the patient to proceed with the operation.

What considerations time-wise, are required in planning an operation?

The optimal time is during the colder months. The summer months are not appropriate because scars and scar tissue should not be exposed to direct sunlight for two to three months, and perspiration under protective bandages does not promote the healing process.

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At present the Internet is becoming one of the most important wells of information. In full extent it applies to the medical information as well. Among servers with the content of information about infertility we could probably find thousands of it worldwide and if we limit ourselves to the Czech environment, we can even talk about tens of internet addresses on which it is possible to get both general and very special information about infertility treatment and human reproduction.

Five years ago a server neplodnost.cz was put into operation with intention to provide both the laic and professional public with adequate information about the problem and possibilities of fertility treatment in our country, to offer a contact with specialised centres of assisted reproduction and other experts on reproduction health and to contribute to the fulfilment of desire for a complete family of the greatest number of unintentionally childless couples. By means of these websites you can consult an expert about your specific problem, get in touch with other interested persons in these problems, take a look into a fascinating world of germ cells and embryos and read the current affairs in the Czech press. Take part in our regular reader’s research! If, in your opinion, we can further make these websites better and be topical for your need, please, write to us.

If our websites contribute to your orientation in the offer of services in the sphere of reproduction medicine and attaining your goal more quickly, then our intention is a success and is also a proof of the high level of assisted reproduction in the Czech Republic. It is both thanks to the erudition of Czech experts and the approach to all new drugs and means which the contemporary medicine is disposing of. Liberal legislation and financial accessibility for local patients and foreign clientele is joining that. With respect to a negative democratic development in the whole so called western world and putting off the parenthood until later age it is possible to expect that the percentage of children conceived after a germ cell manipulation is going to rise.

Maybe also the server „Infertility“ will minimally keep its contemporary high attendance (of about 2 000 visits per day) to support and give reliable information to the infertile couples on their way after a longed-for offspring. Today this server already ranks among a „family silver“ of the company Organon ltd., the leading global producer of fertility drugs that is running these websites. They serve both the laic and professional public.

www.neplodnost.cz
Elite of reproductive medicine from all over the world came to Prague at the 22nd annual congress of the European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology (ESHRE) on July 18–21, 2006. Despite the society's name, these congresses also attract overseas experts and there were altogether more than 5000 of them in our country this year. And there was always what to balance and tell the news there!

Within nearly three tens of years (the first “in vitro” child, Louise Brown, was born in the summer of 1978 in England and almost symbolically her pregnancy in a natural way has been announced in these days) the reproductive medicine has become one of the most dynamic branches of contemporary medical science and that’s why the report of the world register of assisted reproduction has been expected with a great tension. Although the data of many countries are missing (unfortunately also from the Czech Republic in the last years) and so we can not expect absolute accuracy of stated data, it seems clear that the number of children after an infertility treatment by means of assisted reproduction methods has already exceeded the number of 3 million. Withal the success rate and the dynamics of growth of the number of born IVF children has been increasing worldwide. While in 1989, when the global register came into existence, 30 000 children were reported worldwide (tens at the most in our country), then in the new millennium this is the question of hundred thousands (around 200 000 in 2002) and of almost 3 000 children in our country (around 3 per cent of all born ones!). This percentage is withal substantially higher in the world’s medically most developed countries among which mainly the Scandinavian countries have been ranged. Europe itself ranks among regions with the highest number of registered cycles of artificial fertilisation. The four most developed countries withal show nearly a half of all curative cycles in the world (USA, Germany, France and Great Britain).

Doc. Mardešič, president of the congress, could however also show off the high level of assisted reproduction in the Czech Republic. We rank among the European average as far as the number of performances is concerned (around 900 per one million of inhabitants). It seems that the number of couples with fertility disorders also ranges around 15 % in our country and the network of 23 assisted reproduction centres evenly positioned all over the Czech Republic ensures the approach to the modern treatment for those in need. The IVF centres of university clinics are at disposal and also the private sector has got a numerous representation. Withal the success rate exceeds the international average and quite surely the natural capability of getting pregnant for a young healthy couple. It is given primarily by a good approach to new more effective drugs, increasing erudition of a close circle of experts and efficiency of new methods – predominantly in an embryological laboratory. The occurrence of the ovarian hyperstimulative syndrome during a controlled hormonal stimulation of ovaries and the higher occurrence of multiple pregnancies remain two continuing problems. The second issue is ever more frequently being faced by the single embryo transfer, which may lower the chance of success, but the other parameters are leaned towards such approach. The single embryo transfer (SET) is faster pushed through again in countries with advanced reproductive medicine. However, similarly in our country the average number of embryos transferred has dropped below 2.0 even despite official softer recommendation of professional society not to transfer more than 3 embryos. The high level of assisted reproduction in the Czech Republic has also been proved by the fact that absolute majority of our specialised centres is a holder of the label of internationally accepted quality – the certificate ISO 9001 and that services of our IVF centres are sought after by an increasing number of foreign couples. The second reason is given also by the liberal legal environment in our country and better financial accessibility of these services and performances in comparison with former so-called western countries.

The lectures of the congress proved that the solution of male infertility is coming into forefront, namely already from the child-
hood including cases when it is possible by means of an timely sperm collection to enable a biologically own offspring to men who undergo an oncological treatment which could destroy the spermatogenesis. On the other hand the sperm freeze for later utilisation is simple and quite routine today. The freeze of eggs presents a greater problem and Dr Kuwajama from Japan reported on the progress in this sphere. Some research teams get round this issue by the freeze of the whole ovarian tissue followed by its cultivation with maturation of embryonic follicles contained in it.

Attention was also paid to the issues which lately were yet not there where the action is: to human reproduction ethics, psychotherapy, relationship between nourishment and fertility and, of course, to the news of related medical research: stem cells, molecular genetics, cloning on animal models - in order that we mention the more thrilling and often controversial issues at least.

THE MOST INTERESTING FIGURES FROM THE REPORT OF THE WORLD REGISTER OF ASSISTED REPRODUCTION:

- Every 6th couple encounters lowered fertility, thus during a regular unprotected sexual intercourse no pregnancy occurs within 12 months. Causes of female and male infertility are numerically roughly equal, nor detailed examination reveals a cause with roughly one tenth of couples. The worst prognosis is in the cases when the female and male infertility combine each other.
- The established causes of impaired fertility are: smoking (established reproductive poison), obesity, mental anorexia, stress. The most important prognostic factor, by women in particular, is the increasing age.
- The total number of IVF cycles is estimated at about 1 million per year, pieces of information at disposal from 52 countries which predominantly represent so called advanced countries of the western world. It is estimated that over 200 000 IVF children are born yearly.
- The total number of IVF children is estimated at about 3 million and the oldest IVF children have already got offspring of their own. The first IVF child, Louisa Brown, who was born in 1978 in northern England, has just been pregnant in the natural way.
- Europe shows the greatest share in IVF cycles in the register: 56 %.
- Almost one half of all IVF cycles is reported together by four large and advanced countries: the USA, Germany, France and Great Britain.
- The greatest number of IVF cycles per 1 million inhabitants is reported by Israel (3260) followed by Denmark (2040). All Scandinavian countries placed very high.
- Micromanipulation technologies (intracytoplasmatic sperm injection) facilitate more than a half of fertilisations. On increase are also the transfers of unfrozen embryos which raise the cumulative success rate of the executed hormonal stimulation (about 100 000).
- Embryos before the transfer are genetically examined ever more frequently to prevent from the most frequent transferred genetic diseases at least.
- All countries of the world register report decrease in the number of embryo transfers for the purpose of restricting multiple fertilisations. Despite of that fact 25.8 % twins and 2.6 % triplets are born in average.
Reproductive medicine in Pronatal

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THE PRONATAL CENTRE OF ASSISTED REPRODUCTION IN PRAGUE.

IT IS THE BIGGEST IVF CENTRE IN

THE CZECH REPUBLIC WITH THE

APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION.

WE ASKED MR DOCENT FOR THE TALK ALSO BY REASON OF

HIS BEING PRESIDENT OF THE ESHRE CONGRESS WHICH IS HELD FOR THE

FIRST TIME IN PRAGUE THIS YEAR.

MR DOCENT, IN YOUR OPINION, IS THE LEVEL OF REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE

INCLUDING ASSISTED REPRODUCTION IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC COMPARA-

BLE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT IN THIS SPHERE IN EUROPE AND ALSO IN THE

WORLD?

Yes, the level is comparable, particularly when talked about assisted reproduction.

On the one hand it is necessary to talk about the expertise on the other hand about the lawful conditions in a particular country that influence the conditions of providing this medical care and its results significantly. If we know to carry out assisted reproduction as good as the other countries do, and the legislative situation doesn't lay any significant obstacles, then the result is that we rank among the best in the world.

WHEN YOU BROUGHT THE FIRST CHILD INTO THE WORLD AFTER THE IN VITRO FERTILISATION, WHAT WERE YOUR FEELINGS LIKE? DID YOU SET YOURSELF A CERTAIN GOAL OR DETERMINATION? WERE FULLFILLED ALL YOUR EXPECTATIONS IN THIS RESPECT?

The first child of our team – in times when we worked in the Mother and Child's Institute – was borne in the early 90's. The intensive three-year work of our whole team had been preceding that. Today, when 40 % of embryo transfers end successfully, we view that as the Stone Age. At that time we were glad that it was successful at all. When the in vitro fertilisation was launched, nobody expected that within so short time (25 years) the artificial fertilisation would become the most successful method for infertility treatment which the medicine ever had at its disposal.

It's clear from our statistic that if a couple undergoes three cycles of in vitro fertilisation at our workplace (thus what is reimbursed to each couple from the general health insurance), the treatment is 85 % successful.

YOU ARE A SOUGHT-AFTER EXPERT IN THE SPHERE OF REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE. IN ADDITION TO THE EXCELLENT RESULTS OF YOUR WORKPLACE YOU HAVE SURELY BEEN DEALING WITH THE SCIENTIFIC AND RESEARCH ACTIVITY.

It’s clear that without an own active approach both the physician and workplace cease to develop. If you want to get ever better, you must not only watch the field permanently, but also make your own best effort to bring something new.

YOU ORGANISE PROFESSIONAL LECTURES AND CONFERENCES. WHAT DO THESE ACTIVITIES BRING TO YOU, WHICH OF THEM ARE VALUABLE FOR YOU IN PARTICULAR AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN TO YOU?

I am quite active in this area. We participate in the pregraduate education of students of the 3rd Medical School in Prague. There is, of course, a great motivation there – to pass on the points at issue to the coming generation of physicians. I am also chief physician of the subdepartment of Reproductive Medicine at the Institute for Postgraduate Education where I lecture physicians within the framework of specialisation.

One is most pleased, when a prominent professional congress takes place somewhere and organisers invite you as an invited speaker. It gives evidence that your work is well known and respected. That way I was invited to India last year. The lectures at congresses have two meanings – they give a possibility of showing the results of your own work and presenting them to professional criticism at the same time.

THE REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE IS A MUST NOWADAYS. WOMAN'S SECURITY AND HEALTH PROTECTION ARE THE FUNDAMENTAL REQUIREMENTS. EACH TECHNIQUE, HOWEVER, CALLS FOR ITS VIEWPOINTS AND THE PERSONAL PHYSICIAN'S APPROACH AS WELL. WHAT'S YOUR EXPERIENCE?

I think there’s one principle in all medicine: not to do harm in the first place. In the reproductive medicine it is far more important because of the fact that we influence the health of future generation.

At present it's obvious that for descendants there are no health risks associated with the in vitro fertilisation (IVF) itself there. Nowadays the priority is to minimize the number of transferred embryos in order that no multiple pregnancy occurs. The results of these pregnancies are associated with the preterm births with all risks arising out of that.

THE PRESENT DAY REQUIRES FROM WOMEN EVER HIGHER EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, PLACEMENTS ABROAD AND SO ON. THAT'S WHY MANY OF THEM DECIDE TO GET PREGNANT IN THE HIGHER AGE. THEY COME TO YOU AT THE TIME WHEN THEY START HAVING PROBLEMS WITH GETTING PREGNANT. WHERE DO YOU SEE THE DIVIDING LINE TO WHICH THE REQUIREMENTS OF WOMEN, WHO LONG FOR A CHILD AND HAVEN'T GOT ALL PRECONDITIONS FOR THAT, MAY DO (HEALTH OR AESTHETIC POINTS OF VIEW AND SO ON)?

Recently the Czech Republic still belonged to the countries where marriages were entered into in the lowest age. Now the global trend is a complete education and economic security in the first instance, which is good from the socio-economic point of view.

Relations are more stable, riper, children are borne into a better environment. Woman, however, has got the chance of becoming pregnant preferably from 20 to 25 years. So it was set by the nature. The pregnancy in the age of about 30 years isn’t still a problem, but after the age of 35 years the risk is increasing.

In case of assisted reproduction it is necessary that the woman knows what can expect, what she will have to go through. Is, in your opinion, the level of communication among physicians, public and female patients sufficient?

The communication among physicians has got several aspects. I am certainly a man a little bit deformed and I’ve got the feeling that when I open a women’s magazine, it is always possible to find some information of that kind there. And he who searches, he finds.

On the other hand I was responsible for a women’s advisory centre at the Internet for some time. I found out that some female patients have no idea of how such a reproduction functions at all. But I must also declare we are in a very good situation, because most of couples gets to us in time. Woman’s age is the key prognostic factor in treating infertility. The longer the pregnancy has been put off and the later the possible treatment starts, the smaller the hope of success. Our terrain gynaecologists are with their knowledge at a very high level. Lots of couples looks up information at the Internet. Therefore literacy has been increasing very quickly. We’ve got female patients who guess where the problem might be and know what they need.

DO THE STATE AND LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS OF WOMEN, DO THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT POSSIBILITIES AND MEANS TO MAKE THEIR MIND?

The truth is that the legislative professes the fact that the care of family is one of priorities. We belong among countries with a
liberal approach to the infertility treatment. But still, I can imagine that more than 3 cycles would be reimbursed, I can also imagine that after the childbirth with a help of IVF the woman would have a claim to IVF thrice again, as for example in Slovenia.

IMPROVING METHODS IN YOUR DISCIPLINE, FOR EXAMPLE, SOLVE THE QUESTION OF GENE MANIPULATION, EMBRYO CLONING AND SO ON IN THE FUTURE. HOW DO YOU PERCEIVE IT?

I’d like to say that the development is extremely fast and often becomes involved in the fundamental rooted principles of a society. All of sudden we face the situation that something is possible, but the question remains whether we may that and whether it is desirable. As for the question of stem cells and cloning there’s an unambiguous unity – therapeutic cloning and research in this sphere show apparently the future of medicine, while reproductive cloning has no place in humane medicine. If anyone doesn’t intend to respect that, takes a stand apart the expert public.

IVF METHODS ASSOCIATED WITH OTHER COSTS ARE RATHER DEMANDING FROM THE FINANCIAL POINT OF VIEW. IT’S WELL KNOWN THAT OUR COUNTRY’S PRICES ARE STILL ADVANTAGEOUS IN COMPARISON WITH THOSE ABROAD. TO WHAT EXTENT DO THE FOREIGNERS MAKE USE OF THAT?

As I’ve mentioned – the results in the Czech Republic in this discipline count among the best in the world. The financial question isn’t fundamental as far as the female foreigners are concerned. This treatment steps in the most intimate area of a couple and most of them, of course, prefers the treatment in their own country, there where they know it well. Most of couples set out abroad, because the treatment they need isn’t available for them. It’s so strong and motivating for them that they get over a foreign country’s handicap. There’s a bad expression – medical tourism, but no one can be prohibited from searching a help elsewhere, if it isn’t available in their own country.

NOW LET’S GO BACK TO THE TOPICAL THEME, NAMELY TO THE ESHRE CONGRESS IN PRAGUE.

What all does it mean for you as president of the congress? What does it mean for our public and physicians who can take part in? The ESHRE (European Society for Human Reproduction and Embryology) Symposium is the biggest European congress in the sphere of human reproduction. This year it’s for the first time in a new member state of the EU. Being that Prague, it is magnificent, and I perceive it as a certain recognition of the position of the Czech Republic in the sphere of AR. It is also an important thing from other aspects:

It will markedly push forward the points at issue and ensure experts a great attendance. After all the lecturers are from the whole world, about 6000 top experts should come here! They will see Prague and present their results. That will make us all richer, thereby I mean not only economically. As far as I omit a lot of work and nerves, I must say that this is the top of my career and recognition of my existing work.

YOUR PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES INDUCE THE QUESTION, WHETHER YOU’VE GOT TIME FOR YOUR PERSONAL INTERESTS, FAMILY AND SO ON? HOW DO YOU SOLVE YOUR LEISURE TIME?

There’s little leisure time, but I also need to switch off and recharge batteries from time to time. I recuperate by staying in nature. I love South Bohemia, I like skiing, playing tennis … Hence an active rest.

MR DOCENT, WHAT’S YOUR BOTH PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL WISH FOR THE COMING SPELL? AS FOR THE REPRODUCTIVE MEDICINE, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO IMPROVE OR CHANGE?

I WISH the Eshre CONGRESS in Prague would be remembered for ITS organisation and Expertise as the SUccessful action. As far as The reproductive medicine is concerned, I wish the Infertility would be perceived as A disease and Approached in that way.

WE’D LIKE TO THANK FOR THE TALK AND WISH SUCCESS TO YOU AND THE WHOLE PRONATAL’S TEAM AS WELL.
On 25 July 1978 Luisa – the first “test-tube baby” – was born to the Browns in the English town of Oldham. This started the era of infertility treatment based on the method of artificial insemination. Little Luisa has grown to a 28-year-old woman, and assisted reproduction methodology has developed considerably over the last 28 years, changing both its scope and form. Nowadays, approximately 3 in 100 children are conceived by this method in developed European countries including the Czech Republic. This approach to infertility treatment is not the method of the last choice any longer as a number of techniques and methodologies have been developed to allow the birth of a healthy child in families with genetic risks where natural conception would result in a sick or affected child. Such methods are called Pre-implantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD). This methodology includes a series of techniques to diagnose and exclude genetic abnormalities in fertilized eggs and embryos prior to their implantation in the uterus. It allows to detect genetic abnormalities in the future foetus by means of genetic examination of one or two cells collected from the developing embryo. PGD allows to perform diagnosis in the period of the early development of the embryo. Three days after egg fertilization in a test tube, embryos consist of 6 to 8 cells. Each of those cells has both complete genetic information and a potential to grow and result in pregnancy. At this stage, one to three cells from the eight-cell embryo can be collected using embryo biopsy. The embryo then continues to develop while the collected cells can be analysed for a specific genetic problem. If the female partner is a carrier of a particular disease, it is possible to analyse the eggs before fertilization. Pre-implantation genetic diagnosis employs two basic examination methods:

- Cytogenetic method (FISH) which detects chromosomal aberrations and molecular diagnostics (PCR) which reveals gene mutations.

- The complete “human genetic code”, i. e. information on all properties and features of a human being, is stored in deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA). DNA is a huge molecule that forms a double helix. The individual segments of DNA represent particular genes. The complete set of genes of a human being is packed in twenty three chromosomal pairs; twenty two chromosomal pairs are numbered according to their size from the largest one to the smallest one while the remaining 23rd pair consists of sex chromosome: a woman has two X chromosomes while a man has one X chromosome and one Y chromosome. One chromosome in a chromosomal pair comes from the mother and one from the father which means that there are two complete sets of genes inside the nucleus of each cell. One complete set of genes is passed to the offspring during reproduction. However, due to the mutual recombination of parental (mother’s and father’s) segments (crossing-over) no one can become a precise copy of either parent.

- Random mistakes may occur when genes and chromosomes divide. Changes in genetic material may occur at the level of the chromosome itself (aberration) or in individual genes (mutation).

At the chromosomal level, the changes may occur in the number of chromosomes (one complete chromosome is either missing or superfluous) or in their structure. Translocations are most common, i. e. the exchange of some of the segments between two chromosomes or the fusion of two chromosomes. Translocation can be either balanced, or unbalanced. In the case of balanced chromosomal aberrations, genetic material is neither lost nor superfluous, but some parts of the chromosome are only located in a different place. This is called balanced aberration, i. e. balanced change. The carriers of balanced chromosomal aberration have no adverse clinical symptoms associated with the aberration and are completely healthy in most cases. However, the problem arises during the division of gametes from these carriers. Different variants of the chromosomal outfit of these cells are being formed and one part of gametes already contains an imbalanced change, i.e. some part of the chromosome is missing, or the chromosome is doubled. This kind of a gamete results in the formation of imbalanced chromosomal transformation in the embryo. If the change is profound, the development of the embryo stops and no pregnancy occurs, or pregnancy occurs but the foetus is miscarried. Repeated miscarriages are typical in couples where one of the partners is a carrier of balanced translocation. In some cases, the foetus is born with multiple malformations.

Chromosomal aberrations occur at a rate of 9 % in couples with repeated spontaneous abortions.

Until now, geneticists have advised couples not to have children in the case of a single-gene genetically based disease with a high risk of transfer to the offspring. Formerly, prenatal diagnostics used to be performed (e. g. using amniotic fluid) or gametes from healthy donors were used to avoid the birth of a sick or affected child.

Nowadays, it is possible that these couples will have their own children. This solution is based on the above-mentioned pre-implantation genetic diagnosis. PGD has been performed worldwide for 16 years. REPROMEDA in Brno, Czech Republic, has been using this methodology over the last 6 years, with more than 65 healthy children being born thanks to PGD. Over the last few years, pre-implantation diagnosis has been elaborated at the molecular level to examine mutations in genes in order to exclude single-gene inherited diseases. The method currently allows to prevent approximately 100 single-gene inherited diseases. Serious diseases such as neurofibromatosis, cystic fibrosis, Duchenne muscular dystrophy, Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease, etc. are currently being diagnosed with this method in Brno.

However, PGD cannot fully guarantee an embryo with no defects since the method only detects a certain range of deviations that are most likely to occur in the embryo of the particular couple. Furthermore, the method itself cannot ensure the success of an IVF procedure (i. e. the implantation of the embryo after its placement in the uterus and subsequent pregnancy). PGD cannot fully guarantee the birth of a healthy child since a number of other factors also come into a play. It should be pointed out that pre-implantation diagnosis in couples with poor reproductive prognosis can increase the implantation score approx. 3-5 times. The abortion rate in couples with balanced translocation (90%) can be decreased to 13 %. In the case of single-gene inherited diseases, artificial abortion of pregnancy due to affected foetus can be avoided.

MUDr. Ilga Grochová, Clinical Geneticist
MUDr. Kateřina Veselá, Reproductive Medicine Specialist
Our Centre was founded due to the need of ensuring a complex care for our patients. For a couple of years we have, as the leading workplace of the medical genetics in the Czech Republic, provided services to the patients from the Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary and other centres of assisted reproduction. More and more patients come to our clinic with some kind of a reproduction problem. When we introduced the pre-implantation genetic diagnostics, it was clear that if we were to provide the patients with a top-quality care, we must offer them a complex treatment of infertility right in our facility.

We were aware of the fact that there is a relatively wide spectrum of infertility treatments in the Czech Republic. Therefore we have decided that our Centre would be exceptional in the fact that it would offer our patients an individual approach and that it would focus on the patients who have not been successful in other facilities, especially those who need egg donation or the pre-implantation genetic diagnostics. Therefore we have built the Centre according to the experience of other modern centres abroad and equipped it with the top quality equipment.

In the treatment we emphasize especially the comfort of the patient during examination. Patients can use exclusively equipped single-bed wards. The staff of our centre communicates in English, German and Polish. Within our international IVF program we will ensure our patients are provided with everything related to their stay.

Although we belong to one of the youngest Centres of assisted reproduction in the Czech Republic, our staff members are not beginners in the scope of assisted reproduction. We have selected experienced experts who had worked in other Czech centres of assisted reproduction and have an experience of several thousand IVF cycles; our aims are high. We do not only want to increase the number of centres dealing with assisted reproduction. We try to orientate ourselves especially towards couples that have been unsuccessful and to which we wish to offer our genetic background. Therefore, our success is not the main goal. Rather, what we really aim for patient's success.

We especially struggle to develop solidarity and an accessible egg donation program. The egg donation is allowed in the Czech Republic. The program was created in accordance with international standards (Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine, Regulations of the European Parliament and Council of Europe No. 2004/23/EG on determination of quality and safety standards for donation, collection, examination, processing, preservation, storage and distribution of human tissues and cells). We are able to satisfy the couple interested in the donated eggs usually within two months.
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Assisted reproduction centres in Czech Republic

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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
In Vitro Fertilization (IVF), ICSI, IUI, TESA, MESA, AH, Sperm, Egg and Embryo Donation, Cytoplasmic transfer, Preimplantation diagnostic (PGD), Genetic counselling and chromosomal evaluation, Transvaginale Hydrolaparoscopy

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, Russian, German

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European Board and College of Obstetrics and Gynecology accreditation.

CHIEF DOCTOR
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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
We dispose of full services in the field of assisted reproductive technology. Comprehensive diagnostic and therapeutic facilities in the field of gynecology, urology, genetics, anthropology, andrology, urology, sexology, and other fields important to individualized care of the couple with impaired fertility are available in the our department which is a part of the largest medical complex in the Czech republic. It is the goal of our physicians and IVF laboratory team to provide you with the latest women’s healthcare innovations to address infertility, polycystic ovaries, endometriosis, and pelvic pain treatment. Backed by a renowned embryology team our department has enabled many couples to resolve their infertility problems.

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, Hebrew, Hungarian

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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
The advantage of the IVF Centre is that it is a part of the UPMD and therefore it offers not only infertility treatment but also subsequent complete care after successful impregnation of the woman, including her childbirth and post-natal care.

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, French, Russian

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CHIEF DOCTOR
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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, German, Russian
The Assisted Reproduction Centre Sanus Jihlava is a fully independent health-care facility established in 2005 and which has been working under the technical supervision of the health-care facility in the town of Hradec Králové. All diagnostic and therapeutic procedures with patients suffering from fertility disorders are carried out by an experienced personnel here. This workplace has been equipped with a state-of-the-art technical facility that is available in this field of medicine at the present time. The comprehensiveness of this facility that co-operates with the gynaecologic-obstetric department and according to need realises needed examination and curative methods, is a great advantage.

The health care provided in this facility is reimbursed by an insurance company and the patient only reimburses the performances which the insurance company does not pay.

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**THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED**

Our centre draws on more than 10 years of experience as it was one of the first private clinics for assisted reproduction established in the Czech Republic. Our success rate – 35% of clinical pregnancies per embryo transfer – ranks us among top European IVF centres. Our share of the national IVF market is 25%. So far, we have helped nearly 5000 children to be born into this world using one of the following methods:

1. IVF – in vitro fertilization
2. ICSI – intracytoplasmic sperm injection
3. IUI – intrauterine insemination
4. AZH – assisted hatching
5. PTET – freeze-thawed embryo transfer
6. PGD – preimplantation genetic diagnosis
7. ED – egg donation
8. Prolonged embryo cultivation with a single embryo transfer
9. Testicular sperm aspiration, TESA testicular sperm extraction
10. Surgical sperm retrieval: MESA – microsurgery sperm aspiration, TESA

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**THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED**

- Complex infertility diagnostics and treatment
- Assisted reproduction techniques – IUI, IVF, ICSI
- Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD)
- Cryopreservation of gametes, embryos and germinal tissue
- Surgical sperm retrieval - MESA, TESA
- Donation of gametes and embryos
- Treatment of complications of ART
- Care of pregnancies resulting from ART
- Development and introduction of new methods and techniques of ART

**LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION**

English, German
Assisted reproduction centres in Czech Republic

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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
Diagnosis of infertile couples
– genetic, hormonal, biochemical
IUI – intrauterine insemination
Assisted reproduction techniques – IVF and ET
Micromanipulation techniques:
ICSI – intracytoplasmic sperm injections
AH – assisted hatching by laser
Cryokonservation of gametes
Donors programme: sperm, oocytes, embryos
PGD – preimplantation genetic diagnosis
MESA – microchirurgical sperm aspiration
TESA/TESE – testicular sperm
Cytoplasmic transfer
aspiration/extraction
Prenatal diagnostics
/amniocentesis, cordocentesis/

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, German, Polish, Russian, Slovak

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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
In vitro fertilisation (IVF), Intracytoplasmatic sperm injection (ICSI), surgical sperm extraction (MESA/TeSE), embryo and sperm cryo-conservation, cryo-embryo-transfer, blastocyst transfer, ovulation induction, assisted insemination, egg and sperm donation

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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
Complex infertility treatment
Egg donation
Preimplantation genetic diagnosis
International IVF service
Prenatal diagnostics (AmnioPCR)
Genetic counselling

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, German

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THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED
Complex infertility treatment
Assisted reproduction techniques
(IVF, ICSI, PGD, TESE, Cryopreservation)
Specialized for oocyte and sperm donation

LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION
English, German, Russian
Assisted reproduction centres in Czech Republic

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**CHIEF DOCTOR**
MUDr. Jiří Štěpán, CSc.

**THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED**
- Complex diagnosis and treatment of female and male infertility
- Genetic counselling
- Intrauterine insemination (IUI)
- In Vitro Fertilization (IVF)
- Intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI)
- Extended culture with elective single embryo transfer
- Assisted embryo hatching (AHH)
- Gamete and embryo cryopreservation
- Surgical sperm retrieval (MESA, TESA)
- Egg, sperm and embryo donation
- Treatment of ART complications
- Care of ART pregnancies

**LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION**
English, German

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ISO 17025 (accredited by DAP Berlin)

**CHIEF DOCTOR**
Ass. Prof. Tonko Mardesic PhD.

**THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED**
- Complex diagnosis and treatment of infertility including endoscopy and fertility promoting surgery
- Hormonal disturbances diagnosis and therapy (in-house ISO accredited hormonal laboratory)
- Ovulation induction and intrauterine insemination including donor sperm (AHH, AID)
- In vitro fertilization including:
- ICSI, blastocyst culture and transfer, assisted hatching
- Freezing of sperm, oocytes and embryos
- Egg donation programme, embryo donation, sperm donation
- Microsurgical epididymal sperm aspiration (MESA) and microsurgical testicular sperm extraction (TESE)
- Genetic counselling
- Reproductive genetics: cytogenetics, molecular genetics, preimplantation genetic diagnosis and screening
- Immunology of reproduction
- In-house pharmacy
- Pick-up service and hotel accommodation for patients

**LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION**
English, German, Croatian, Russian

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**CHIEF DOCTOR**
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**THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OFFERED**
- SANATORIUM ART IS THE ONLY ESTABLISHMENT IN THE SOUTH BOHEMIAN REGION USING THE METHOD OF EXTRA-BODY IMPREGNATION.
- Intra Uterine Insemination (IUI), In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF), Intracytoplasmatic Sperm Injection (ICSI), Surgical Sperm Retrieval (MESA, TESA, TESH), Assisted Zonal Hatching (AZH), Cryopreservation of sperm and embryos, Sperm Donation, Egg Donation, Embryo Donation, Preimplantation diagnostic (PGD), Genetic counselling and chromosomal evaluation, Transvaginal Hydrolaparoscopy

**LANGUAGES FOR COMMUNICATION**
English, German
About us

We are a dental treatment center with up-to-date equipment and service located in the centre of Prague. We operate in two dental treatment rooms and a laboratory. We regularly take part in learning and development activities and trade fairs in the Czech Republic and abroad. Our knowledge is applied in our work and therefore we use the most progressive materials and technologies. Dental examination is generally considered to be one of the worst ones. Our aim is to create a pleasant and friendly atmosphere, so that your visit of the dentist became a pleasure.

Services

RESTORATIVE DENTISTRY
- Preventive examinations
- Medical treatment of acute cases and toothache
- Esthetic dental treatment
  - tooth whitening, photocomposite (white) fillings
- Endodontics
  - root canal treatment, root fillings
- Dental hygiene and prevention
  - tooth sanding, tartar removal, tooth & filling polishing

PROSTHETIC DENTISTRY
- fixed crowns, fixed bridgeworks, temporary crowns and bridgeworks removable dentures

PARODONTICS
- medical treatment of gums and mucosa

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
- medical treatment of deciduous and mixed teeth

OTHER SERVICES
- sale of materials and tools for dental hygiene, consulting and advisory

Dental Hygiene

Advice on how to take care of your teeth and gums will be given to you by a high-experienced dental hygienist. Certified dental hygienist is an essential part of quality stomatological practise. Consulting and services provided by the dental hygienist comprise tartar, scale and pigmentation removal, filling polishing, tooth sanding and tooth fluoridation. Dental treatment of the dentist is better applicable and more durable after the dental hygienist’s treatment. Some of the operations it is even not possible to perform without prior treatment of the dental hygienist. In our practice you will be advised to visit the dental hygienist after the entrance examination of your teeth. She will instruct you how to brush your teeth properly and which dental tools to use – such as interdental brush, dental thread, toothpaste, mouthwash, etc. Thanks to a regular and proper care of your teeth and gums you can minimize the decay appearance, prolong durability of the fillings, bridgeworks, crowns and healthy teeth. Our patients are always surprised how little can be done to get rid of dental problems.

Equipment

WE USE UP-TO-DATE EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGIES IN OUR WORK.

American digital depictive system RVG Dr. Suni:
Suni system is the high-tech equipment used worldwide. It minimizes the X-ray’s influence of patient’s health. Intraoral X-ray pictures are immediately displayed on the monitor. Intraoral X-ray

Intraoral X-ray PLANMECA INTRA:
Presents a worldwide trend in dental radiography. Made in Finland.

Intraoral camera SuniCam:
You can watch the state of your teeth before and after the treatment. Final effect will be adapted to your needs and expectations.

Austrian wireless polymerization LED lamp:
Used for stiffening photocomposite (white) fillings, shortens the stiffening process by a few times.

Preophy-Mate NSK:
Japanese tool used for sanding, depigmentation, stain, plaque and tartar removal, tooth whitening and cleaning.

Propex:
Japanese Apexitoc of the 3rd generation, used for measuring the root canals depth
Supports precise filling of the root canals.
If the patient has nowadays lost one or more teeth of his own, today he has got a possibility even of several ways of its replacement. Teeth can be replaced by a removable substitute whose main disadvantage is the very necessity of its pulling-out of the mouth accompanied by mobility when chewing.

Another its disadvantage is a wide area, which it covers in the mouth, particularly on the palate where it can often evoke an unpleasant gag reflex. If the patient has lost all his teeth, a total removable denture, which often holds in the mouth very unreliably, is being used.

Another possibility is the abrasion of adjacent teeth and putting-on a fixed bridge, which is already substantially more natural solution, but removal of a great surface of often yet healthy adjacent teeth occurs.

But embedding a tooth implant can, however, be taken for a method which saves the most precious – the tissues themselves - the most. In this case a nursing physician will not touch adjacent teeth at all and by means of the implant a new „root“, to which a new fixed crown or bridge will firmly be attached, arises. The substitute made in that way functions and looks like an original natural set of teeth. Today the rate of success of acceptance of a modern quality implant by a human body is, on average, 99 per cent. The often discussed and feared lack of bone for an implant has been solved nowadays, because the modern implant needs bone not so much and or the necessary quantity can be completed (added) with one of many methods. A patient suffering from ill gums, i.e. “periodontitis”, is commonly healed with implants in the same way today. Also as for a total health of the patient coming with a request for the implant, we are substantially less restricted today and only serious illnesses and their decompensated stages are bothering us.

Many patients worry about the embedding itself of the implant. Today, modern implantology offers another special kind of treatment which does not bring any postoperative troubles, and the patient gets his fixed aesthetic teeth immediately after the embedding of implants. This solution is carried out without a scalpel, which is possible thanks to a quite new method which is called “CT navigated implantology Nobel Guide”.

At the very beginning a patient’s special radiological CT examination is carried out and thereby very valuable spatial information on soft and mainly bone tissues of jaws is obtained (Picture 1). Acquired data are processed in a computer and a result is the software-created computer 3D model of jaws (Picture 2) on which the surgery is planned and carried out quite without a patient’s presence. By means of this technology the physician has got possibility of choosing a place for the implant precisely (Picture 3), avoiding risky anatomic structures safely (Picture 4) and at the same time harmonising the function and aesthetics of the tooth substitute with implants and patient’s requirements (Picture 5). Pieces of information are sent abroad where a precise surgical template is made according to them (Picture 6). The surgery itself takes a short time then and is carried out just by means of this surgical template which arose at the end of computer planning outside the patient’s mouth. (Picture 7, 8 and 9).

Because the surgery is very short and no cuts through tissues by scalpel, no opening of wound and its stitching are carried out during it, the postoperative difficulties, as swelling and sensitivity, are quite negligible. Implants are being embedded through a minimum window in the mucosa by means of the template mentioned above (Picture 10 and 11). Immediately after finishing the surgery, the patient receives a quite firm aesthetic substitute (Picture 12) and returns to a full social and working life immediately.

Hence this method is a very significant step on the way towards the patient’s health at a simultaneous maximum comfort for the patient and considerate approach to the tissues of human body. (Picture 13).

The surgery can be seen at www.implantaty-kriz.cz, video No. 2.
Fig. 1: The patient during a CT examination

Fig. 2: The computer model of a jaw with attached denture

Fig. 3: The implant ideally positioned in the bone

Fig. 4: Placing the implant out of the jaw cavity

Fig. 5: Prepared, approved by the patient, fixed bridge yet before a surgery

Fig. 6: The surgical template

Fig. 7: The surgical template in the mouth prepared for a surgery

Fig. 8 and 9: After embedding the six implants into the upper jaw

Fig. 10: Embedding the implant through the template and mucosa

Fig. 11: Minimum wounds in the mucosa after the surgery without a scalpel

Fig. 12: The fixed bridge in the mouth immediately after finishing the surgery

Fig. 13: The content patient immediately after the surgery
– Individual approach, multiyear professional experience.
– Hundreds of treated clients from the Czech Republic and abroad.
– Standard prices.
– Latest kinds of implants
– Carrying out of the surgical operation by a specialist on face surgery.
– Possibility of carrying out the surgical operation under a complete anaesthesia.

Our clinic is a nongovernmental medical facility with a multiyear tradition providing complete services in the sphere of stomatology, face surgery, laser surgery, cosmetology, ORL, dermatology and plastic surgery. Medical treatments are carried out by the team of doctors with a specialisation in particular branches and international experiences. Professional guarantee with all kinds of surgical operations provided.
FEW OF US RETAIN ALL OUR TEETH IN EXCELLENT CONDITION UNTIL LATE ADULTHOOD. LOSS OF TEETH CAN BE CAUSED BY INJURY, SOMETIMES BY NOT ENTIRELY FLAWLESS HYGIENE. TOOTH REPLACEMENTS IN THE FORM OF IMPLANTS ARE, HOWEVER, THE MOST NATURAL WAY TO RESOLVE POSSIBLE TOOTH-LOSS. AN IMPLANT IS FOR EVERYONE WHO NEEDS A MODERN AND FUNCTIONAL TOOTH REPLACEMENT THAN JUST LIKE A REAL TOOTH, IS SET DIRECTLY IN THE JAW.

Dr. Vojtěch Slezáček has specialised in implantology for a number of years. At the same time, he works as a trainer of the company Nobel Biocare, the world leader in innovative aesthetic dental solutions. On the subject of tooth replacements by means of implants, he states: “At first sight, you do not recognise that the tooth has not been there for ever. What is more important, however, is that an appropriately made dental implant is also perceived as one’s own tooth by patients themselves.”

With this type of intervention people are usually scared of pain or dread a process dragging out over an extended period. All these apprehensions can now be dispelled owing to a new system of dental implants from Nobel Biocare offered by Esthesia dental clinic.

Thanks to a computer-controlled technology and with the minimum of surgical interventions/pain, you can obtain new teeth in the form of implants during a single visit to a specialised dental surgeon. You can have new and fully functional teeth in an hour!

The state-of-the-art solution to tooth-loss by means of implants requires the minimum amount of time spent in the surgery. Through a simple intervention, implantology can enhance your self-confidence and improve your appearance. Consult your dentist about the ways in which implants could help you. Then you can begin smiling again!

What else can you find in our clinic?

EXTENDED SURGERY HOURS
we are here for you every weekday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. according to agreement, also outside regular working hours and at weekends.

SHORT WAITING HOURS
we arrange a convenient term with you within the shortest possible waiting time decide for yourself on the manner of ordering – call us or choose e-mail or the order form.

PAINLESSNESS AND CONSIDERATION
we apply anaesthetising gels, carry out interventions under local ANAESTHESIA
in the case of more serious dental operations, you are provided with the possibility to choose short-term general anaesthesia (analgesedation), or for especially fearful patients we carry out operations using general anaesthesia.

PLEASANT MILIEU
a pleasant atmosphere awaits you at Esthesia, you will find not only refreshments but also smiles and soothing words.

COMPREHENSIVENESS
we offer you everything under one roof, saving you time and increasing the effectiveness of the course of treatment.

GUARANTEE
professional and humane approach, a guarantee for the work carried out.

EMPHASIS ON PREVENTION
we see to regular prevention through preventative examinations and treatment by a dental hygienist, optimally once every six months.

INDIVIDUAL APPROACH
we recommend and draw up a curative plan according to individual aspects, we respect your personal, time and financial possibilities, we devote the appropriate amount of time to you, we are flexible when it comes to your requirements.

EXPERIENCED AND QUALIFIED STAFF
• narrow specialisation of individual doctors
• comprehensive care under one roof
• regular training

STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGIES
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Seven Decades of Useful Work

On the edge of South Bohemian forests, ten kilometres northwards from the town of Písek, the Rehabilitation Spa Sanatorium lies in the village of Vráž. A neogothic chateau built in 1875 by the Czech aristocratic family of Lobkowicz, who had their summer residence here, became the foundation of its origin. The sanatorium was founded in 1936 by professor Vítek, one of the best Czech neurologists, and at the very beginning it specialised in spa rehabilitation primarily of nervous diseases, later on in locomotive organs, too. The simple earthy bog peat is a natural healing source.

Since 1992 the sanatorium has been privatised. At the present time it is being looked for not only by the spa guests from the Czech Republic, but also from abroad. Its high professional standard, pleasant and quiet environment as well as pleasant home atmosphere are one of main reasons, why the guests like to return there. They have the best possible comfort for their spa treatment, because all necessary services including the treatment can find under the same roof. Total capacity of the sanatorium amounts to 160 beds in three price categories. After privatisation it integrated into a long series of nongovernmental health-care facilities and its name Spa Hospital was altered into Rehabilitation Spa Sanatorium mentioned above.

Notable Anniversary

This year the sanatorium celebrated an important jubilee, namely long seventy years of its duration. On January 11th, 1936, professor Henner solemnly opened the spa medical institution in the village of Vráž. At that time docent Vítek, professional consultant and guarantor, also recommended the disseminated sclerosis to be indicated and worked out a comprehensive programme of its treatment. He harmonised physical exercise with other physical procedures and in such a way propagated a self-contained conception of sanatorium form of rehabilitation primarily of this disease. Practical utilisation of multicomponent conception be-

came priority not only in our republic, but ushered in a tendency of establishing the rehabilitation RS-centres abroad. In post-war period the number of polyforgetters was increasing rapidly and 600 to 800 patients were coming with the privilege of so-called “criss-cross diagnose” yearly in the village of Vráž. “Because of the fact that the stay could be prolonged onto four and later up to five weeks, the patients were getting an uninterrupted and continuously checked therapy within a period which already has the significance for systematic nature and educational habits. The research of the disease within the framework of possibilities at that time built on this basis, too. From Vráž the appeal for organised associating of persons affected by this disease came out as well,” the sanatorium’s director, head physician MUDr. (Doctor of Medicine) Petr Klapetek, professional neurologist and spa doctor, said by way of introduction.

Specialisation

At present the spa sanatorium keeps specialising in the treatment of nervous system diseases ranking among the group VI and some diseases of locomotive organs, i.e. of the group VII of the indicative list. According to this list the duration of the comprehensive spa treatment has been determined in the range of three to four weeks by individual diseases with the possibility to prolong the stay by some diagnoses up to seven weeks. The duration of the contributory spa treatment is three weeks and quite individual according to the client’s wish with stays paid by them.
Procedures
The simple earthy bog peat has been used as a natural healing source primarily for applying peloid packs and poultice, exception-ally also for complete peloid baths. The most important com-
ponent of treatment is not only the individual rehabilitation, but also the group rehabilitation – curative physical education – utilizing a rehabilitative pool. Various types of massages including a wide spectrum of methods of physical therapy and hydrotherapy are an integral part of treatment. Whole reconstructed balneop-
eration is barrier-free and enables the treatment for badly mobile spa guests and wheelchair invalids.

Other Services
The facility provides its own hairdresser’s, cosmetics, manicure and pedicure as well. The big outdoor terrace, which besides cafe operation provides dining in a pleasant restaurant with a choice according to the abundant offer of the menu, serves for the guests’ comfort. Regular promotion of classical music concerts, fashion shows and dances cannot be missing. The sanatorium has its own closed and guarded car park with a sufficient capac-
ity for spa guests’ vehicles. There is a possibility of fishing on the near artificial lake Orlík and you can also make use of excellent conditions for gamekeeping of the town of České Budějovice in the Old and Poněšice Game Park. Those interested in horse riding can take full advantage of the offer of the stable Stětice distant about 22 kilometres from Vráž. There is a well-marked network of cycle tracks and hiking trails of various lengths in the neighbourhood of the sanatorium. The whole of series of attrac-
tive tourist destinations as Orlík, Zvíkov, Hluboká, Český Krumlov, Tábor and Písek can also be found in the near and more distant neighbourhood.

The Method of the Masseurs of Sri Lanka
It is a matter of the curative method ajurveda coming from India which is one of the oldest world teachings about health, prevention and long life. This method is being respected all over the world and its tradition goes over five thousand years back. As it helps people in India, Sri Lanka and other countries, it may be useful also for the people in the Czech Republic. In masseur’s opinion the only difference lies in the fact that the people in the Orient are rather slimmer than in Bohemia. Masseur Tchamila Pdemalal has been working at our place since November of last year. After the infamous tsunami the tourist trade dropped in his country and therefore Tchamila together with his wife arranged a work permit abroad and left with a group of other six therapists for Bohemia.
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THE TALK TO KAROLINA KRUS
KAROLINA KRUS IS A PART-OWNER OF THE NETWORK OF BEAUTY STUDIOS ELLIVISAGE, WINNER OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION CZECH & SLOVAK HAIRDRESSING AWARDS IN THE CONSUMER AWARD CATEGORY, AUTHOR OF TRENDY HAIR COLLECTIONS AND A FRONT CZECH HAIRDRESSER.

GOOD AFTERNOON, KAROLINA, WHAT ARE YOU WORKING ON JUST NOW?
K: We’ve finished working on our topical hair collection “TIME FOR WILD HAIR”, so we’re looking forward to its presentation and launching both in Czech and international magazines.

WHAT IS YOUR LAST COLLECTION LIKE? “WILD” AS ITS APPELLATION SUGGESTS?
K: It’s about ungovernable hair which we arrange into timeless shapes which are going to be topical also in a couple of years. It’s full of natural colours, from the deep brown to the naturally coppery hue. It shows a modern woman of many faces – the woman who works, engages in sports and enjoys herself. A modern woman can be kind and provocative as well, both sexy and sporty, settled and modern at the same time. What she picks out is only up to her ...

AND ARE THESE HAIRSTYLES COMMONLY WEARABLE AT ALL? MOSTLY THE THINGS OF FANCY COLLECTIONS CAN’T BE ARRANGED AT HOME, LET ALONE TO GO OUT WITH THEM ON A PAVEMENT?!
K: We established an objective to create such hairstyles which are not only natural, but also easy for home hairdressing at the same time. We don’t create a fashion for a handful of models, but for women and men who care about their appearance, but can’t afford to spend two hours daily at a mirror.

SO THERE’S NO PROBLEM TO COME TO YOU INTO YOUR SALON AND HAVE MY HAIR CUT LIKE THAT?
K: Vice versa, this is our principal motto – to create hairstyles for people that are quite common, but at the same time each of them is original and beautiful in a way. We want to promote the “craft of hairdressing” to a pleasant and aesthetic experience in a pleasant environment where pleasant people would take care of you.

WHAT DOES A “PLEASANT ENVIRONMENT” MEAN FOR YOU AND YOUR EMPLOYEES?
K: First of all it should be a perfectly done service by a man who’s not only a top hairdresser, but also simultaneously a man who’s listening to your desires, who’s able to advice, ... Further it is the environment itself where we do our best to reach a certain originality of each studio.

AND CAN ALWAYS ONLY A HAIR CARE BE FOUND IN YOUR SALONS?
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