

# PROGRAMME BOOK



Research Workshop on HIV, Tuberculosis and viral Hepatitis in Eastern Europe and Central Asia



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# Welcome/ Добро пожаловать

#### Welcome to Almaty Kazakhstan for the first EECA INTERACT 18 and 19 November 2019!

**EECA INTERACT 2019** is a research workshop that brings scientists, clinicians, policymakers, and civil society together to debate topics facing individual countries while building capacity and strengthening research and clinical networks.

The workshop will address topics that are specifically relevant to Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA) and will dive deeply into particularities of both Central Asia and the host country, Kazakhstan, showcasing successes, remaining challenges, and responses.

We are pleased to organise this workshop, the first of its kind in the EECA region, in Almaty, Kazakhstan, with the Kazakh Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases hosting this event. Kazakhstan is playing an important role in HIV scientific advances in the Central Asian region and is at the forefront in taking up its responsibility to mobilise the financial and human resources needed for HIV, tuberculosis (TB), and viral hepatitis prevention, treatment, and care.

The scientific programme presents the state of the art on HIV, TB, and viral hepatitis in EECA. The afternoon of the second day is jointly convened by EECA INTERACT and the International AIDS Society. The overall programme allows for plenty of time for discussions on the studies in the region and for exploring new opportunities for research.

We hope that, in addition to networking among local, regional, and international participants, you will also find time to visit some of the wonderful local sights to see in Almaty and appreciate the flavour of the food and the people in Central Asia.

We wish you an enjoyable and educational conference!

Prof Catherine Hankins MD, PhD, FRCPC, CM *Co-Chair 2019* 

Prof Michel Kazatchkine MD *Co-Chair 2019* 

Dr Baurzhan Baiserkin Local Chair 2019

# **Workshop Objectives**



### The workshop objectives are:

- 1. To provide cutting-edge knowledge in the fields of epidemiology (modelling), treatment, pathogenesis, and prevention of HIV, TB, and viral hepatitis as well as chronic conditions;
- 2. To exchange ideas on providing and supporting HIV testing services and clinical care provision to adults, adolescents, and children living with HIV to achieve 90-90-90 goals;
- 3. To foster new research interactions among leading investigators and those who represent the potential future scientific leadership for health care and research in the region;
- 4. To build research and clinical capacity across EECA.

## **Scientific International Conference Committee**

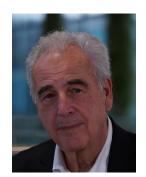




#### **Prof Catherine Hankins**

Catherine Hankins is Deputy Director, Science at the Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development, Department of Global Health, University of Amsterdam; Professor of Public and Population Health, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University; and Honorary Professor, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. She has authored over 250 peer-reviewed publications and reviewed for scientific journals and funding agencies in Canada, USA, and Europe, with extensive experience chairing research review committees. Before joining UNAIDS in 2002, she was

principal investigator of several large epidemiological studies in Canada. As UNAIDS's first Chief Scientific Adviser, she led the scientific knowledge translation team, developing ethical and participatory HIV prevention trial conduct guidelines and convening mathematical modelling teams to support country implementation of proven biomedical HIV prevention modalities. She was the editor of UNAIDS' popular science blog HIV This Week. Professor Hankins chairs the European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership's Scientific Advisory Committee and the Scientific Advisory Group of the USA National Institutes of Health HIV Prevention Trials Network. She is a trustee of the HIV Research Trust, a member of the International AIDS Society Industry Liaison Forum, and a board member of AVAC. She was named to the Order of Canada in 2013.



#### Prof Michel Kazatchkine, M.D

Michel Kazatchkine has over 30 years experience in the fight against AIDS as a leading physician, researcher, administrator, advocate, policy-maker, and diplomat. He attended medical school in Paris and has completed postdoctoral fellowships at St. Mary's hospital in London and Harvard Medical School. He is Professor of Immunology at Université René Descartes in Paris and has authored or co-authored over 500 publications. Professor Kazatchkine has played key roles in various organizations, serving as director of the national Agency for Research on

AIDS in France (1998-2005), and as French Ambassador on HIV/AIDS and communicable diseases (2005-2007). In 2007, Professor Kazatchkine was elected Executive Director of the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, a position in which he served until March 2012. Between 2012 and 2017, Professor Kazatchkine served as the UN Secretary General's Special Envoy on HIV/AIDS in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Since 2018, he is the Special Advisor to the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) for Eastern Europe and Central Asia. He is also Senior Fellow with the Global Health Centre of the Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies, and a member of the Global Commission on Drug Policy. He holds honorary degrees from Imperial College London, the ULB, the UCL and the University of Geneva.





#### **Dr Alexei Alexandrov**

Current position: Head of the Minsk regional clinical center "Psychiatry-narcology". Education: medical doctor, specialist in public health.

Work experience: psychiatrist and addiction specialist; senior lecturer in the Belarus Medical Academy of Postgraduate Education at the Psychiatry and Addiction medicine, Public Health and Healthcare Management, Primary Heath Care Departments; former chief specialist in addiction medicine of Ministry of Health of Republic of Belarus, former head of consulting department.

Projects and other activities: Harm reduction activities in Belarus and other CEEA countries (projects, seminars, trainings, researches, advocacy campaigns, materials production) in cooperation with international organizations, Belarus Ministries of health and internal affairs and NGO.

Management of opioid substitution treatment programs in Belarus: legislative and methodological support of pilot OST project, scaling up new OST sites, counselling and training for OST specialists.

Member of working group of development Belarus legislation: Narcotic Drugs Law, 2011 (drug prevention, social rehabilitation and narcotic drugs use for medical purposes chapters) and Psychiatric care Law, 2011; previous (2005), current (2010) and revision of national drug treatment guideline (2019). Coordinator of preparation Belarus drug treatment system data to WHO ATLAS on substance use, 2010. Participated as expert at the review of International Standards for Drug Use Disorders, WHO, 2018.



#### Dr Baurzhan Baiserkin

Bauyrzhan Baiserkin, was born November 20, 1966. In 1989, received higher medical education in the field of sanitation, hygiene, and epidemiology.

In 1993, completed clinical residence specializing in social hygiene and healthcare management. From 1989 to 2009 held various positions at the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan and Committee of the State Sanitary and Epidemiological Surveillance. He was engaged in epidemiological surveillance, and control of infectious diseases. In 2010, he received a Ph.D. in public health and healthcare. He worked on the scientific justification for reforming the sanitary-epidemiological service in the public health system in

the Republic of Kazakhstan. In 2015-2018, he headed the Republican Center for AIDS Prevention and Control. He dealt with the reform of the AIDS service in the public health structure, and initiated the creation of the Kazakh Scientific Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases through the merger of the Republican Center for AIDS Prevention and Control and the Research Institute of Skin and Venereology. Since January 2019 - Director of the Kazakh Scientific Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases. In 2019, a master's degree in public health was awarded. 50 scientific papers, 3 monographs on healthcare organization issues were published. Completed trainings on the basis of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, USA), the Center for Social and Economic Cooperation (JACA, Japan), the London School of Economics and Business (London, England), and Charite University Hospital (Berlin, Germany).



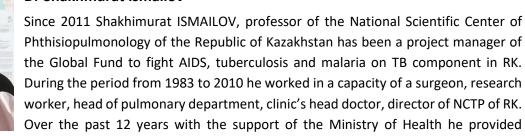


Chris Beyrer MD, MPH, is the inaugural Desmond M. Tutu Professor in Public Health and Human Rights at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. He is a Professor of Epidemiology, International Health, Nursing and Medicine at Johns Hopkins. He serves as Director of the Johns Hopkins Training Program in HIV Epidemiology and Prevention Science and as Founding Director of the Center for Public Health and Human Rights. He is the Associate Director of the Johns Hopkins Center for AIDS Research (CFAR)

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and of the University's Center for Global Health. Dr. Beyrer has extensive experience in conducting international collaborative research and he has spent much of his career focusing on health and human rights. He was President of the International AIDS Society from 2014-16, and served as International Co-Chair for IAS Science in Vancouver, Canada in 2015, and for the International AIDS Conference in Durban, South Africa, in 2016. He was elected to membership in the U.S. National Academy of Medicine in 2014.

#### Dr Shakhmurat Ismailov



assistance in attraction of 3 GFATM grant projects to Kazakhstan. From 2017 to 2019 the GFATM grant project "Decrease of M/XDR TB burden in Kazakhstan" is implemented. Since 2007 over \$ 80 million were attracted to Kazakhstan under the Global Fund grants. With the GF support new express methods of TB molecular and genetic diagnostics and M/XDR TB treatment with new and reprofiled drugs were introduced all over the country. In Kazakhstan during the period of implementation of the GF grants' activities from 2009 to 2015 TB morbidity was decreased by 56% and TB mortality was decreased by 67%. General directions of fight against MDR/XDR TB in RK were developed, solid foundations of integration with all partners were extended and laid - PHC, CPCS, HIV services, WHO, GF, USAID, KNCV, NGO and others. During the period from 1984 to 1987 Sh.Ismailov studied at the Central Scientific Research Institute of Tuberculosis post-graduate in Moscow and defended his thesis on "Bronchoscopy at the height of pulmonary hemorrhage in patients with tuberculosis and other lung diseases", "phthisiology" code 14.00.27. In 1997 a doctoral thesis under the "phthisiology" specialty on "Bronchoscopy in diagnostics and treatment of TB patients in the common and complicated course of disease" was defended. I prepared 20 candidates and 1 doctor of medical science.

#### **Dr Yevgeny Voronin**





#### Dr Sergii Dvoriak, MD, DMedSci

Sergii Dvoriak is a senior researcher at the Ukrainian Institute on Public Health Policy (UIPHP) in Kiev, Ukraine. He is also the executive director of the Eurasian Professional Association of Addiction Medicine (EPAAM). In addition, Dr. Dvoriak works as a consultant for the World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

## **Scientific Local Conference Committee**

#### Dr Baurzhan Baiserkin (Chair – See Bio under Scientific International Conference Committee)



#### Dr Asylkhan Abishev

Asylkhan Abishev was born on January 21, 1969. Graduated from the Almaty State Medical Institute, specialty in General Medicine.

From 1994 through 2009 worked as dermatologist/venereologist, research associate, head doctor of the Clinic at the Scientific Research Institute of Skin and Venereal Diseases. He Worked at the City Center for Prophylactics and Fight against AIDS since 2009 and in the Republican Center for Prophylactics and Fight against AIDS after that. In 2017-2018 served as Acting Director of the Republic's Scientific Research Institute of Skin and Venereal Diseases. Since 2019 to date he is employed as Deputy Director of scientific and clinical work

at Kazakh's Scientific Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases. Dr Abishev defended candidate of medical science thesis under "Skin and Venereal Diseases" specialty, code 14.00.11, and was awarded the title of Candidate of medical science. He has authored over 35 scientific papers, participated in the development of 7 clinical protocols, 5 methodological recommendation books, 3 guidelines as well as Ministry of Health orders, including those on HIV/TB, college and university text books chapters on dermatology, venerology and HIV.



#### **Prof Maksut Kulzhanov**

Date of birth: August 10, 1949.



Current position: Deputy General Director of the Republican Center for Health Development of the Ministry of Healthcare of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Place of work: Republican Center for Health Development.

Prof Kulzhanov graduated from the Karaganda Medical Institute, General Medicine specialty, in 1972. Doctor of medical science, topic of his thesis is "Rationale for the Healthcare Reformation Problems during the Transition Period" (1993), became Professor in 2004, became Professor at Virginia Commonwealth

University, USA, 2004. Since 2014 till now he serves as Chair of the Board of the Republican Medical Chamber. 1986 through 2015 worked as chief specialist at the National Center for Expertise of Medicines and Medical Devices; General Director at the Republican Center for Healthcare Development; Rector of Kazakhstan School of Public Health; Deputy Minister of Healthcare, Deputy Director at Scientific Research Institute of Hygiene, Head of the Department of Planning and Prognosis of Healthcare; scientific researcher.

- UNAIDS board member in 2015-2017;
- WHO Executive Committee member from 2001 to 2004 and from 2014 to 2018;
- Member of Strategy, Investment and Impact Committee of the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, 2011-2013;
- Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Board Member in 2010-2012
- Commission for Health Research and Development Board Member in 2001-2008;
- International Central Asian Journal of Health Research Co-Editor in 2000-2011
- Delivers lectures and conducts expert activities in the educational and medical establishments of Kazakhstan.



#### Dr Sanimbala Ospanova

Date of birth: November 14, 1966

Sanimbala Ospanova started her education in Saratov State Medical Institute, she later transferred and graduated to Almaty State Medical Institute, General Medicine specialty, 1988-1995.

She completed a postgraduate course and defended dissertation on skin and venereal diseases, specialty code 14.00.11, in 2008, and was awarded candidate of medical science title. Sanimbala worked at the Scientific Research Institute of Skin and Venereal Diseases of the Ministry of Healthcare of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in the capacities of researcher of

allergic dermatosis and congenital skin diseases division, Head of allergic dermatosis and congenital skin diseases division; and Head of venerology division. She is a Senior Lecturer at dermatology, venerology and esthetic medicine division at Postgradute School of Kazakh National Medical University named after S.D. Asfendiyarov (KazNMU).

In 2014-2018 she worked as senior lecturer of dermatology, venerology and dermatocosmetology, additionally delivered a course on allergology and immunology at Kazakh Medical University of Continuing

Education (KazMUNO). Currently works as Head of Scientific Management, International Cooperation and Education at Kazakh Scientific Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases.



Dr. Ospanova continues to expand her qualifications, makes scientific publications, participates and organizes conferences and forums, attended Master class Vitiligo Surgery Workshop. Acted as scientific consultant to a Master's degree student, code 6M110100-Medicine, in 2016, academic advisor to a master's degree student, code 6M110100-Medicine, in 2017. Currently supervises post-graduate student applying for the academic title of the Doctor of medical science, code 6D110100 – Medicine, at KazNMU named after S.D. Asfendiyarov.

Membership in professional organizations: European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology (EADV); Kazakh Healthcare Trade Union; Russian Hair Research Society (RHRS).

# **Conference Organisers**





The Amsterdam Institute for Global Health and Development (AIGHD) is an international research and education institute that works to develop sustainable solutions to major health problems. By taking a problem-oriented approach, AIGHD transcends the boundaries of traditional academic disciplines and integrates three fundamental activities into one institute: research, education, and policy.

Founded by the late Professor Joep Lange in 2009, AIGHD brings together experts from multiple disciplines including biomedicine, economics, and social and behavioral sciences to address the most critical medical, social, economic, and political challenges in global health and development.



AFEW's work in public health contributes to a healthy society with healthy individuals and specifically healthy key populations at risk for HIV, tuberculosis, viral hepatitis and other public health concerns in Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA.) A healthy society contributes to a strong and stable EECA and results in the region with economic growth, political stability, a higher quality of life and the right to health for everyone. By providing support and empowering the societies in EECA, we contribute to better chances for all, and we support the future of the region.

AFEW has the knowledge, expertise, network, and experience because of working from within the region for more than 15 years. We increase access to prevention, treatment and care for the most vulnerable groups of the society. We are relevant, innovative, reliable, trustworthy and hardworking. We show this through our work, in the collaboration with international, national and local partners, and via our communication channels. We are the organization that makes a difference and delivers a good quality of work. We mobilize communities, assist them to become stronger and more active. We bring the best international practices and innovations to EECA in a practical applicable way. We recognize diversity, strengthen regional solidarity, share our knowledge and mobilize communities to fulfill their rights.





AFEW Kazakhstan is working toward creating inclusive society where every citizen of Kazakhstan regardless gender, age, nationality, sexual, religious and other preferences, would have equal access to medical, legal, social and psychological services related to HIV, TB, viral hepatitis and other STIs.

Organisation was founded in 2003 in Almaty. Member of AFEW Partnership that operates in 5 countries of EECA.



The Kazakh Scientific Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases was established by the Decree of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated September 14, 2018 by merging the Republican Center for AIDS Prevention and Control and the Research Skin and Venerological Institute of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The aim of the Center is to organize the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of HIV infection, viral hepatitis, improve the quality and expand the volume of highly specialized and specialized medical care for people with dermatovenerological pathology, and carry out research, scientific, practical and educational activities.

The Center actively collaborates with international public organizations, including WHO, CDC, USAID, UNICEF, UNFPA, PEPFAR and many more in the framework of implementing innovative technologies, conducting scientific research and developing standards.

## **EECA INTERACT PROGRAMME**



# Day 1: Monday, November 18 2019

09:00 - 09:30	Registration and coffee/tea
09:30 - 10:30	Opening Session
	Chairs: Baurzhan Bayserkin (Kazakhstan), Catherine Hankins (Canada) and Michel Kazatchkine (Switzerland)
09:30	Welcome from the Conference Scientific co-chairs and Local chair
09:45	Welcome to Kazakhstan
	- Aizhan Esmagambetova - Director of the Department of Public Health Policy of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan
10:00	Welcome by Almaty universities
	- Talgat Nurgozhin– Rector, Doctor of Medical Sciences, Kazakh National Medical University named after S.D. Asfendiyarov.
	- Saule Doskozhaeva - Rector, Kazakh Medical University of Continuing Education
10:20 - 12:30	Session 1: Current status and trends in HIV prevention and treatment in Eastern Europe and Central Asia
10:30	Current status of HIV, tuberculosis, and hepatitis in Eastern Europe and Central Asia
	Alexander Goliusov, UNAIDS (Kazakhstan)
10:50	Current status of HIV, tuberculosis, and hepatitis in Kazakhstan  - Shakhmurat Ismailov - National Scientific Center of Phthisiopulmonology of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan  - Sairankul Kassymbekova - Kazakh Scientific Center of Dermatology and Infectious Diseases of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan
11:10	Community perspectives on progress on HIV, tuberculosis, and hepatitis in Kazakhstan
	Nurali Amonzholov, President of the Central Asian Association of People Living with HIV (Kazakhstan)
11:30	Keynote Address: "Mapping HIV epidemics to improve HIV prevention and care".
	Virginie Supervie, INSERM (France)
12:00 – 12:30	Audience Q&A



12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
12.30 - 13.30	
	& Media Conference
13:30 – 14:20	Session 2: Structural determinants of HIV, TB, and Hepatitis epidemics in EECA
	Chairs: Nicole Seguy (WHO, Europe), Alexei Alexandrov, Minsk regional clinical center "Psychiatry-narcology" (Belarus)
13:00 – 13:25	Drug use, injecting, and newer psychoactive substances in EECA: driving forces for HIV and hepatitis transmission and for drug-resistant tuberculosis
	Michel Kazatchkine, Senior Fellow & UN special envoy (Switzerland)
13:25 – 13:50	Structural determinants of the epidemic in the EECA region
	Anna Deryabina, ICAP (Kazakhstan)
13:50 – 14:20	Audience Q&A
14:20 - 14:50	Refreshment break
	Poster viewing session 1
14:50 - 15:50	Session 3: Universal Health Coverage: the road forward in EECA
	Chair: Michel Kazatchkine (Switzerland)
14:50 – 15:10	Perspectives from the EECA region
	Nicole Seguy WHO, Europe
15:10 – 15:30	Perspectives from Kazakhstan
	Maksut Kulzhanov, Republican State Center for Healthcare Development of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan (Kazakhstan)
15:30 – 15:50	Audience Q&A
15:50 – 17:20	Oral abstract presentations 1
	Chairs: Catherine Hankins (Canada), Michel Kazatchkine (Switzerland)
17:20 – 18:20	Session 4: Panel discussion on community engagement in research and in the response to HIV, TB, and hepatitis across EECA
	Chair: Anke van Dam (AFEW International, the Netherlands)
	1. Timur Abdullaev (Uzbekistan)
	2. Olga Belyayeva (Lithuania)
	<ul><li>3. Lyubov Vorontsova (Kazakstan)</li><li>4. Oksana Ibragimova (Kazakhstan)</li></ul>
18:20	Photo Session
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18:35 Opening Reception

# Day 2 Tuesday 19 November 2019

08:45 - 09:00	Coffee/tea
09:00 – 10:20	Session 5: Implementation Science in EECA
	Chairs: Catherine Hankins (Canada) and Vladimir Rozenberg (Russian Federation)
09:00 – 09:25	Implementation science to inform policy and programming
	Stefan Baral, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health (United States of America)
09:25 – 09:50	Implementation science initiatives across the region, what is being learned, and what needs to change to build research capacity to generate findings to improve programmes and inform policies.
	- Indira Aitmagambetova, CDC (Kazakstan)
	- Assel Terlikbayeva, Columbia University Global Health Research Center of Central Asia (Kazakstan)
09:50 – 10:20	Audience Q&A
10:20 – 10:50	Oral Abstract Presentations II
	Chairs: Catherine Hankins (Canada), Michel Kazatchkine (Switzerland)
10:50 – 11:20	Refreshment break
	Poster viewing session 2
11:20 – 12:40	Session 6: HIV-TB co-infection, aging, and co-morbidities in people living with HIV
	Chairs: Alexander Goliusov (Kazakhstan) and Michel Kazatchkine (Switzerland)
11:20 – 11:40	TB-HIV Co-infection in adults and children in EECA
	Frank Cobelens, Amsterdam Institute for Global Health & Development (the Netherlands)
11:40 – 11:48	Discussant
	Zhanar Sapieva, Center of phtisiopulmonology of Almaty (Kazakhstan)
11:48 – 12:00	Audience Q&A



12:00 – 12:20	Aging, cancer, and co-morbidities among people living with HIV
	Godelieve de Bree, the Academic Medical Centre (AMC-UvA) (the Netherlands)
12:20 – 12:28	Discussant
	Vladimir Rozenberg, Republican Hospital for Infectious Diseases (Russian Federation)
12:28 – 12:40	Audience Q&A
12:40 - 13:40	Lunch



13:40 – 13:50	Joined EECA INTERACT – IAS scientific sessions
13:50 – 14:35	Innovation across EECA in integration of care and differentiate care
	Chairs: Frank Cobelens (the Netherlands) Anna Deryabina (Kazakhstan)
13:50 – 14:15	Integration of care for HIV, tuberculosis, and hepatitis
	Javier Cepeda, University of California (United States of America)
14:15 – 15:35	Audience Q&A
14:35 – 15:05	Oral Abstract Presentations III
	Chairs: Catherine Hankins (Canada), Michel Kazatchkine (Switzerland)
15:05 – 15:35	Refreshment break
	Poster viewing session 3
15:35 – 17:00	Cutting edge science from the 10th IAS Conference on HIV Science (IAS
	2019) in Mexico City: Implications for EECA
	Introduction
	Andriy Klepikov, Alliance for Public Health (Ukraine)
	Main talk IAS
	Testing
	Assel Terlikbayeva, Columbia University Global Health Research Center of Central Asia, (Kazakhstan)
	Q&A/discussion
	Prevention
	Assel Terlikbayeva, Columbia University Global Health Research Center of Central Asia, (Kazakhstan)
	Q&A/discussion
	Treatment
	Stefan Baral, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, USA (TBC)
	Q&A
17:00 – 17:30	Looking forward to the <u>23rd International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2020)</u>



17:30 - 18:00

Closing session: Drawing lessons with participants for EECA INTERACT 2021, in collaboration with IAS.

Andriy Klepikov, Erika Lundström, Catherine Hankins, Michel Kazatchkine







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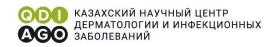
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