



RARE DISEASE DAY 2017

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## INVITATION LETTER

VII International Scientific Conference

**“Research brings hope  
to people living with a  
rare disease”**

**March 17, 2017**

**Crowne Plaza Vilnius, Lietuva**  
M. K. Ciurlionio str. 84, Vilnius

**Registration: [www.rarediseases.lt](http://www.rarediseases.lt)**

### ***Conference organizers:***

Coordinating Center for Children’s Rare Diseases, Children’s Hospital, Affiliate of Vilnius University Hospital Santariskiu Klinikos  
Coordinating Center of Rare Diseases, Vilnius University Hospital Santariskiu Klinikos  
Clinic of Children’s Diseases, Faculty of Medicine, Vilnius University  
Lithuanian Pediatric Nephrology Society  
Lithuanian Kidney Foundation  
Lithuanian Society of Cardiology  
Lithuanian Heart Association, Vilnius branch  
Charity and Support Foundation for Rare Diseases



## Invitation letter

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the conference's organizing committee, we are pleased to invite you to participate in the 7th annual Research Brings Hope to People Living with Rare Disease conference dedicated to **Rare Disease Day on March 17, 2017**. It will be held at Crowne Plaza Vilnius.

Conference lectures will be delivered by internationally acknowledged Lithuanian and foreign speakers. The conference is aimed at scientific research and acknowledging the role of patients in research. The main focus of the conference will be hyperlipidemias and lysosomal storage diseases. In the parallel session for resident doctors and PhD, moderated by prof. M. Beck, interesting, rare case reports will be presented. Participants will receive certificates (for 8 hours).

We look forward to meeting you in Vilnius!

*Yours sincerely,*  
**Conference organizers**





# Hyperlipidemias

Hyperlipidemias are a group of diseases whose symptoms include increased blood lipid or lipoprotein concentrations. These diseases are rare and do not cause acute symptoms, meaning they often remain undiagnosed.

Hyperlipidemias are a risk factor for cardiovascular diseases because they increase cholesterol deposition on vascular walls. This causes the development of cardiovascular diseases at a young age and can often lead to death.

Hyperlipidemia treatment does not fully cure disease but slows its progression, so an accurate diagnosis and appropriate treatment must be performed as early as possible.

The symptoms, diagnosis and management of hyperlipidemias will be discussed during the conference.

*Conference organizers*

