

# SAF 2026

LIVE SURGERY



## SKOPJE ARTHRO FEST

24th APRIL

### TRIP AROUND THE SHOULDER

a focused journey through shoulder arthroscopy and arthroplasty

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the Arthroscopy Association of North Macedonia (AANM), it is our great pleasure and honor to welcome you to the 3-rd Arthroscopic Gathering – Skopje Arthro Fest (SAF) 2026, taking place this April.

This year, we dedicate our meeting entirely to one joint – the shoulder. Under the theme “Trip Around the Shoulder”, our program will feature live surgery sessions, performed by renowned international surgeons, offering an interactive educational experience. Through real – time procedures, dynamic interactions between moderators, operators and the audience, participants will observe current techniques, surgical strategies and intraoperative decision-making in shoulder surgery.

This year’s gathering allows us to explore the joint in depth – from rotator cuff pathology to complex arthroplasty procedures.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our invited faculty, partners and supporters whose contribution makes this event possible. Most importantly, we thank you for being part of this journey.

We look forward to welcoming you on 24th of April for an intensive and inspiring Trip Around the Shoulder.

With collegial regards,  
Arthroscopy Association Of North Macedonia (AANM)

President of AANM  
Dr. Sci.med Zoran Nestorovski



**8:00 – 8:20** REGISTRATION

**8:20 – 8:30** OPENING OF THE SYMPOSIUM

### SESSION – ROTATOR CUFF

ROUND TABLE 1 moderators: A. Ersen, B. Marjanovic, G. Vrgoc

**8:30 – 8:40** ROTATOR CUFF PATHOLOGY  
Western Balkans experience  
Vladan Stevanovic • SERBIA

**8:40 – 8:50** MASSIVE ROTATOR CUFF TEARS  
Treatment options  
Benjamin Marjanovic • SLOVENIA

**8:50 – 9:00** ASYMPTOMATIC RUPTURE OF THE SUPRASPINATUS  
When to operate?  
Tadija Petrovic • CROATIA

**9:00 – 10:15** LIVE SURGERY 1 : ROTATOR CUFF  
Transosseous repair  
Boris Poberaj • SLOVENIA

**10:15 – 10:30** ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

**10:30 – 10:45** COFFEE BREAK ☕

ROUND TABLE 2 moderators: K. Bilsel, L. Kovacic, B. Iliev

**10:50 – 11:00** MIDSIZE TO MASSIVE ROTATOR CUFF TEARS  
What are the indications for operative treatment?  
Goran Vrgoc • CROATIA

**11:00 – 11:10** 2026 UPDATE  
Postero-superior cuff treatment  
Ladislav Kovacic • SLOVENIA

**11:10 – 11:20** TRANSOSSEOUS CUFF REPAIR  
A golden standard again?  
Boris Poberaj • SLOVENIA

**11:20 – 11:30** ROTATOR CUFF IN THE HIGH-PERFORMANCE ERA  
Repair, Augmentation, or Regenerate?  
Gazi Huri • QATAR

**11:30 – 12:30** LIVE SURGERY 2 : SCR WITH LONG HEAD OF BICEPS  
Benjamin Marjanovic • SLOVENIA

**12:30 – 13:00** ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

**13:00 – 14:00** LUNCH

### SESSION – SHOULDER ARTHROPLASTY

**14:00 – 15:00** LIVE SURGERY 3 : STEMLESS TSA arthrex ECLIPSE  
Vladan Stevanovic • SERBIA  
Moderators: N. Jovanovic, N. Petkov

ROUND TABLE 3 moderators: D. Martincic, B. Poberaj, S. Ninkovic

**15:00 – 15:10** TOTAL ANATOMIC ARTHROPLASTY FOR OA  
Ali Ersen • TURKEY

**15:10 – 15:20** WHAT AFTER RSA?  
Novak Jovanovic • SERBIA

**15:20 – 15:30** PRESENT AND FUTURE OF TSA  
David Martincic • SLOVENIA

**15:30 – 15:40** THE ROLE OF SHOULDER ARTHROPLASTY IN  
COMPLEX PROXIMAL HUMERAL FRACTURES  
Srdjan Ninkovic • SERBIA

**15:40 – 15:50** SHOULDER HEMIARTHROPLASTY FOR PROXIMAL  
HUMERAL FRACTURES  
Ivan Micic • SERBIA

**15:50 – 16:00** GLENOID BONE LOSS MANAGEMENT IN RSA  
Kerem Bilsel • TURKEY

**16:00 – 16:10** COFFEE BREAK ☕

**16:10 – 17:10** LIVE SURGERY 4 :  
RSA using the aMGS combined with VIP planning  
Nenad Petkov • MACEDONIA

**17:10 – 17:25** ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

**17:25 – 17:40** CLOSURE