Diagnostic complements

- Dept. of Clinical Biochemistry and Hematology
- X-ray Dept.
- Osteocentre
- Dept. of (Cardio) Pulmonary Diagnostics
- Physiotherapy Dept.
- Endoscopic Dept.
- Mycobacteriology Dept.
- National Reference Center for Mycobacteriology
- Nutritional Therapy Dept.

Personnel

- 264 employees (74% health care workers), out of them:
  - 42 physicians with following medical specializations:
    - internal medicine, pneumology and phtsiology, clinical oncology, gerontology and geriatrics, immunology and allergology, diabetology, gastroenterology, clinical biochemistry, physiotherapy, intensive medicine and anesthesiology, rheumatology, surgery, general medicine, microbiology, social medicine and health care organization
  - 4 non–doctor graduates (pharmacist including) and other professionals
  - 102 nurses

Education and Scientific Activities

- Hospital is educational basis of Slovak Medical University for post–gradual education of physicians in pneumology and phtsiology, and pre–gradual education of nurses in nursing in pneumology and phtsiology

- Hospital operates its own medical library (with more than 8000 library units), new electronic and telecommunication sources of information including

- Hospital has Scientific committee to coordinate scientific activities,

- yearly about 50 - 70 publications in medical journals (in 2007 56 publications, from this 15 in international journals, for example)

- regular presentations at ERS annual congresses (1 – 3 presentations / per year), this year in Berlin 5 presentations

- Hospital organizes 2 – times a year national scientific congresses related to respiratory medicine, and interdisciplinary topics

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**HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

- Founded in 1948, formerly in the Lefantovce village (20 km from Nitra), as a sanatorium for tuberculosis treatment, due to bad epidemiological situation in Slovakia in the post-war period. Since 1953 another facility in Zobor (quarter of town Nitra).
- Both facilities localized in historical area – at Zobor former Benedictian (from 9th century) and later Camaldulian monastery (17th century), at Lefantovce former Paulian monastery (14th century), being one of the present pavilions.

**BUILDING – UP AND DEVELOPMENT**

**1948 – 1974**

*State Institute for Tuberculosis Treatment*

- Predominantly oriented at tuberculosis treatment (partially other non-specific lung diseases and lung tumors).
- Treatment of TB supported by Masaryk’s League Against Tuberculosis in former Czecho-Slovakia.
- Majority of patients treated as in-patients in 520 beds.
- Partial development of diagnostic complements and, at the end of this period, first of out-patients departmental facilities.
- Main progress in medical care: successful fight against tuberculosis – significant decrease in incidence of tuberculosis in Slovakia, great accent on (pulmonary) rehabilitation therapy of TB, besides pharmacotherapy.

**1975 – 1993**

*Institute of TB and Respiratory Diseases*

- Great changes in profile of respiratory diseases (decrease in TB patients, increase in non-specific pulmonary diseases – COPD, bronchial asthma, inflammatory lung processes, pulmonary malignant processes).
- Gradual change from so called „sanatory“ profile to more intensive „hospital“ profile, in 444 beds.
- Continuing development of out-patient’s services and diagnostic complements.

**1994 – 2004**

*Specialized Institute of Pneumophtisiology*

- Again a subject of law (for some time a part of Institute of TB and Respiratory Diseases Bratislava – Podunajské Biskupice).
- Radical changes in Institute’s structure – 4 departments of pulmonary diseases, 2 depts. of clinical oncology (focused mostly on pulmonary oncology), 2 geriatric depts. (one of them from 2002 as a long-term care dept.) and from 1999 department of IC established.
- From 1998 Institute’s services recognized by MOH as of highly specialized profile.
- Radical extension of profile and volume of out-patient’s services.
- Diagnostic complement has adapted itself to more intensive care in in-patient’s and more extensive care in out-patient’s services.
- From 2003 educational basis of Slovak Medical University for both physicians and nurses.

**From 2004 due to dramatically lower ALOS, 239 beds are sufficient to treat yearly the same numbers of patients.**

**2004 –**

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- Till today.

**CONTEMPORARY STRUCTURE OF HOSPITAL**

*Out-patient’s facilities*

- Pneumophtisiology (4 facilities).
- Immunology and Allergology facility.
- Clinical Oncology (2 facilities).
- Internal Medicine facility.
- Metabolic facility.
- Physiotherapy facility.
- Geriatric facility.
- Osteology facility.
- Gastroenterology facility.
- General Practise (2 facilities).
- Rheumatology facility.
- Diabetology facility.
- Surgery facility.

*In-patient’s departments (239 beds)*

- One-day care surgery facility.
- 3 Departments of Pneumophtisiology.
- Dept. of Clinical Oncology.
- Dept. of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine.
- Dept. of Gerontology.
- Long – term Care Dept.