

**CROATIAN SOCIETY OF HYPERTENSION:  
MINOR MODIFICATIONS OF THE NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOLLOWING THE NEW EUROPEAN  
AND NORTH-AMERICAN RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**Abstract.** Croatian Society of Hypertension endorses the current, 2003 European guidelines for the management of arterial hypertension<sup>1</sup> with only two exceptions: it disapproves the marginalization of *funduscopy* in the hypertensive work-up, and, between the available antihypertensives, based on efficacy, safety and cost-containment gives preference to *low-dosed diuretics* in asymptomatic, middle-aged, or elderly patients with no compelling indications for another class.