

THE MONITORING OF TUBERCULOSIS PATHOGEN DRUG RESISTANCE FOR THE PERIOD OF 1996–2000

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Summary

The 5-year monitoring of tuberculosis pathogen drug resistance was conducted in 582 patients. It was proved that the prevalence of drug-resistant *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* was 61,9 % and continued to grow. It was confirmed that drug resistance of the pathogen had been accompanied by increasing intensity and massiveness of sputum bacteria production.