EDITORIAL



Dear colleagues,

Here is the first issue of the year 2020. This year is very important for the journal, its editorial board and authors: starting from this year the journal becomes a quarterly.

In addition, new thematic sections have appeared, contributing to multidisciplinary perspective and internationality.

Another important task of the editorial board is to improve quality of papers and assert new guidelines for preparation of the manuscript. Adhering to the requirements is important for the rating of the journal.

Thanks to active work of the editorial board the amount of papers and their level has significantly increased, which promotes indexing and the recognition of the journal. A special thanks goes to Prof. Vladimir Astashov (Moscow), Prof. Alexey Zhidovinov and Prof. Dmitry Domenyuk (Stavropol), who were consulting and instructing the authors. Without their constant and rigorous work the preparation of the issues would be impossible.

Nowadays the world has entered a very dangerous phase, when an increased responsibility for the health of people in their counties was laid upon medical professionals. Our colleagues in practical medicine do heroic work, putting at risk their health and life. Medical researchers are doing their best to support their colleagues and provide them with necessary information and materials to fight the outbreak of coronavirus.

There are lots of challenges on this way but now medical specialists influence political and economic decision-making. Hope is dawning that when coronavirus is defeated, understanding of priority of health will emerge. Other spheres become secondary, when industry, politics and prosperity depend on the health of the population.

Dear colleagues, I wish all of us that the pandemic eventually comes to an end and life returns to normal.

Looking forward to your reports on latest research and studies!

Yours,

Editor-in-Chief **Dr. Georg Tyminski**