

# 30<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Polish Society of Hematologists and Transfusiologists: in the shadow of international conflicts

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On 8, 9 and 10 September, members of the Polish Society of Hematology and Transfusion Medicine (PTHiT, *Polskie Towarzystwo Hematologii i Transfuzjologii*) will have the opportunity to meet together at the 30<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Society, which will be held for the first time in Bydgoszcz, and organized for the first time by a pediatric center. This meeting was initially planned for September 2021, but due to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, we organized only 'Highlights 2021', and published an issue of 'Acta Haematologica Polonica' featuring educational papers prepared for the Congress [1].

The past two years have demonstrated the deep interconnectedness of everything we do. Not only the pandemic, but also the war in Ukraine, have reminded us that we live in a global environment, and we have to cope with its consequences every day, including in hematology wards. Refugees from Ukraine have been given the chance to start new lives in Poland in 2022. We have faced also the continuing challenge of refugees from Syria.

This issue of 'Acta Haematologica Polonica' shows not only progress in the work within the Society [2], but also achievements in other countries which are exposed to much more severe problems than we face in Poland. Papers by Trojanovska et al. from Ukraine [3], by Hamdan et al. from Syria [4], and by Sharma from India [5], are published in this issue. We have also a paper from Portugal [6].

The increasing internationalization of the activity of our Society, of our Congress, and of 'Acta Haematologica Polonica' are natural processes arising out of our everyday work, international cooperation, and international expectations [7–11].

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