



Message from the Editors of the Polish Journal of Neurology and Neurosurgery to the Authors of our Invited Editorials and Invited Reviews, and to our Reviewers

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In January 2021, we reached the halfway point of our six-year term as the editors of *Neurologia i Neurochirurgia Polska* (the *Polish Journal of Neurology and Neurosurgery*). During these three years, we have introduced to the *Journal* a new manuscript category: *Invited Editorials* [1]. We have published 13 such papers, including 10 written by authors from the Mayo Clinic.

We are very grateful to the authors of the *Invited Editorials* who have so generously provided the *Journal* with their expertise and time, not only reviewing papers but also commenting on them in their invited manuscripts. We have received numerous positive comments from the members of our advisory Scientific Board, and from our readers, regarding the *Invited Editorials*. Therefore, we are continuing this category of manuscripts in 2021, and we anticipate that each of this year's issues will feature one or two such papers.

The second innovation we have introduced to the *Journal* comprises the *Invited Reviews*. The preparation of such manuscripts is a time-consuming process. We began publishing *Invited Reviews* in 2019, with the first of these having been commissioned in 2018 shortly after we became editors of the *PJNNS*. Five such papers were published in 2019, and six in 2020. We are deeply indebted to all *Invited Review* authors for accepting our invitation and so promptly providing their manuscripts. Their effort is well reflected in our growing 'Impact Factor', and the burgeoning national and international stature of the *PJNNS* [2]. We will continue to commission well known clinical scientists and researchers to provide us with *Invited Reviews*. As a matter of fact, there are several such manuscripts in the pipeline. We will continue this category of

manuscripts for 2021 and beyond, publishing *Invited Reviews* with regular *Reviews* alongside. We plan to feature at least one such manuscript in each issue in 2021.

The editors of *Neurologia i Neurochirurgia Polska* greatly appreciate the assistance of our reviewers. We receive an increasing number of manuscripts [3], yet at the same time our manuscript processing time is decreasing [4], placing our *Journal* in a highly competitive position. Success would be impossible without the engagement and dedication of our reviewers. In 2020, we received manuscripts' reviews from 175 reviewers, including 50 from outside Poland. In 2019, we had 134 reviewers included 32 international ones [5]. We are particularly grateful to those dedicated reviewers who provided three or more reviews last year. We had 29 such reviewers, among them nine international ones. Our reviewers are listed in Table 1.

While working with our existing national and international reviewers, we continue to invite new reviewers from Poland and beyond, with the goal of expanding and diversifying our roster of reviewers. We encourage senior reviewers to engage their younger colleagues in the process of reviewing papers. If younger colleague or trainee contributes to review, his/her engagement should be indicated on the review sheets. However, a senior reviewer still takes a responsibility for the integrity and confidentiality of the review process. We believe that this educational function is an important aspect of the mentor-student relationship. This will assist younger colleagues who are in residency training programmes or studying for their PhD, not only to learn how to critically review a manuscript that has been submitted for publication, but also to better understand the significance of the whole review process.

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Table 1. List of Reviewers contributing to Neurologia i Neurochirurgia Polska (Polish Journal of Neurology and Neurosurgery) in 2020*

Name of reviewer	Country of residence	Name of reviewer	Country of residence
Monika Adamczyk-Sowa	Poland	Julie Hammack	United States
Eric Ahlskog	United States	Rana Hanna Al-Shaikh	United States
Wojciech Ambrosius	Poland	Marek Harat	Poland
Jarosław Andrychowski	Poland	Michael Heckman*	United States
Magdalena Badura-Stronka	Poland	Yoon-ho Hong	Republic of Korea
Krzysztof Barć	Poland	Kurt Jaeckle	United States
Anna Barczak*	Poland	Dariusz Jaskólski	Poland
Kevin Barrett	United States	Joanna Jędrzejczak	Poland
Halina Bartosik-Psujek	Poland	Wolfgang H. Jost	Germany
Jan Paweł Bembenek	Poland	Sergiusz Józwiak*	Poland
Monika Anna Białecka	Poland	Maciej Juryńczyk	United Kingdom
Barbara Bobek-Billewicz	Poland	Alicja Kalinowska-Lyszczarz*	Poland
Magdalena Łucja Boczarska-Jedynak	Poland	Bartosz Karaszewski	Poland
Andrzej Bogucki	Poland	Michał A. Karliński	Poland
Robert Bonek	Poland	Radosław Kaźmierski	Poland
Alina Borkowska	Poland	Kathleen Kennelly	United States
Magdalena Bosak	Poland	Adam Kobayashi*	Poland
Bogna Brockhuis	Poland	Jan Kochanowski	Poland
Daniel Francis Broderick	United States	Andrzej Kochański	Poland
Waldemar Broła	Poland	Takuya Konno	Japan
Sławomir Budrewicz*	Poland	Anna Kostera-Pruszczyk	Poland
Kaisorn Chaichana*	United States	Magdalena Koszewicz	Poland
Rares Chinezu	Romania	Grzegorz Kożera*	Poland
Kamil Chwojncki*	Poland	Dariusz Koziowski	Poland
Alexandru Vlad Ciurea	Romania	Dariusz Kozłowski	Poland
Anna Czernuszenko	Poland	Magdalena Krygier	Poland
Anna Członkowska*	Poland	Anna Krygowska-Wajs	Poland
Gregory Day	United States	Maciej Krzakowski	Poland
Małgorzata Dec-Ćwiek	Poland	Ewa Krzystanek	Poland
Gordon Deen	United States	Iwona Kurkowska-Jastrzębska	Poland
Elliot L. Dimberg	United States	Mariusz Kwarciany	Poland
Izabela Domitrz	Poland	Borys Kwinta	Poland
Mariusz Drużbicki	Poland	Anetta Lasek-Bal*	Poland
Jarosław Dulski	Poland	Ioannis Nikolaos Liampas	Greece
Stephen English*	United States	Michelle Lin*	United States
Anteneh Feyissa	United States	Marta Lipowska*	Poland
Monika Figura	Poland	Alfonso S. Lopez Chiriboga	United States
Stefan Florian	Romania	Beata Łabuz-Roszak	Poland
William David Freeman	United States	Maria Łukasik	Poland
Andrzej Friedman	Poland	Mariusz Madaliński	United Kingdom
Waldemar Fryze	Poland	Henryk Majchrzak	Poland
Shinsuke Fujioka	Japan	Małgorzata Makuch	Poland
Agata Gajos	Poland	Tomasz Mandat*	Poland
Dariusz Gąsecki*	Poland	Marek Mandra	Poland
Agnieszka Gorzkowska	Poland	Iris Vanessa Marin Collazo*	United States
Andrzej Głąbiński	Poland	Elizabeth Mauricio	United States



Table 1 cont. List of Reviewers contributing to Neurologia i Neurochirurgia Polska (Polish Journal of Neurology and Neurosurgery) in 2020*

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Jake Mckay	United States	Beata Sikorska	Poland
Erik Middlebrooks	United States	Emilia J. Sitek*	Poland
Grzegorz Jerzy Miękiśiak	Poland	Joanna Siuda	Poland
Łukasz Milanowski*	United States	Agnieszka Słowik	Poland
Dagmara Mirowska-Guzel	Poland	Tomasz Smiatacz	Poland
Krystyna Mitosek-Szewczyk	Poland	Piotr Sobolewski	Poland
Maciej M. Mrugała	United States	Michał R. Sobstyl	Poland
Jerzy Narloch	Poland	Paweł Klemens Sokal*	Poland
Tomasz Netczuk	Poland	Bartosz Sokół	Poland
Magdalena Nowaczewska	Poland	Mariusz Stasiołek	Poland
Arkadiusz Nowak	Poland	Jacek Staszewski	Poland
Waldemar Och	Poland	Barbara Steinborn*	Poland
Stanisław Ochudło	Poland	Anna Sułek	Poland
Józef Opara	Poland	Arkadiusz Szarmach	Poland
Bjorn Oskarsson	United States	Andrzej Szczudlik	Poland
Wielisław Papierz	Poland	Piotr Szczudlik	Poland
Marc Patterson	United States	Jacek Szczygielski	Poland
Ashley Pena*	United States	Stanisław Szlufik	Poland
Ronald F. Pfeiffer	United States	Marta Szmuda	Poland
Wojciech Pencyljusz	Poland	Tomasz Szmuda*	Poland
Andrzej Potemkowski	Poland	Edyta Szurowska	Poland
Anna Potulska-Chromik*	Poland	Paweł Słoniewski*	Poland
Mercedes Prudencio	United States	Jerzy Słowiński	Poland
Dominik Rachoń	Poland	Pille Taba	Estonia
Maciej Radek	Poland	Paweł Tabakow	Poland
Daniel Ręclawowicz	Poland	Paweł Tacik	Germany
Konrad Rejdak	Poland	Philip W. Tipton*	United States
Rafał Rola	Poland	Daniel Truong	United States
Iwona Rościszewska-Żukowska	Poland	Jay Van Gerpen	United States
Monika Rudzińska-Bar*	Poland	Jerzy Walecki	Poland
Danuta Ryglewicz*	Poland	Sławomir Wawrzyniak	Poland
Iwona Marta Sarzyńska-Długosz	Poland	Robert Wharen	United States
Marek Sądziadek	Poland	Hubert Wichowicz	Poland
Michał Jakub Schinwelski	Poland	Teresa Wierzbą-Bobrowicz	Poland
Zbigniew Serafin	Poland	Lindsay Williams	United States
Wendy Sherman	United States	Paweł J. Winklewski	Poland
Elizabeth Shuster	United States	Jacek Zaborski	Poland
Jason Siegel*	United States	Tomasz Zdrojewski	Poland
Mariusz Siemiński	Poland	Daniel Cezary Zielonka	Poland
Małgorzata Siger	Poland		

*Those reviewers who have provided three or more reviews are indicated by an asterisk

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