

Dear Sirs and Madams,

We are presenting the first issue of a new official journal of the Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine, which was formed by joining two periodicals: "Problemy Medycyny Nuklearnej" ("Problems in Nuclear Medicine") and "Nuclear Medicine Review. East and Central Europe". On 23 February 2011 an agreement in the said matter was signed between PTMN (Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine) and Via Medica publishing house — the owner of Nuclear Medicine Review.

Consequently, we have managed to combine the tradition of the first magazine, representing the Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine, published since 1987 and the modernity of the English periodical published since 1996, which has also become a scientific forum for colleagues from the Central and Eastern Europe.

Nuclear Medicine Review will be published in January and June every year. With me, the editing team comprises: Mirosław Dziuk MD, PhD, ass. Prof. and Jolanta Kunikowska, MD, PhD as chief editor deputies, and Anna Budzyńska MSc Eng who runs the editorial office. The prestige of the periodical will depend on your activity. Therefore, I would be grateful to receive numerous interesting works from you all. I hope that in the immediate future "Nuclear Medicine Review" will achieve a good impact factor.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to Professor Julian Liniecki and Professor Piotr Lass for establishing "Nuclear Medicine Review. East and Central Europe", a unique journal which, on the "old continent", united society members connected with nuclear medicine many years before European countries entered into official political treaties. In hope for the fruitful cooperation of the whole society I would like to ensure on behalf of the editing team that we will do everything in our power to make "Nuclear Medicine Review" a worthy successor to its predecessors.

The main focus of the current issue of Nuclear Medicine Review is nuclear medicine in endocrinology. There are three interesting original articles from renowned nuclear medicine centres in Poland.

The efficacy of hyperthyroidism treatment with I-131 is effective, but there is still some room for improvement. This may be the common conclusion from the first two papers. The first experiences of PET-CT peptide imaging in patients with neuroendocrine tumours are presented in an article from Warsaw. In addition to the original works there two review papers that can be useful for all nuclear medicine practitioners.

There are two interesting case reports from Wroclaw and Olomouc nuclear medicine centres. It is always good to see interesting patients and to remember the advantages and limitations of imaging modalities.

In the Past Events section of the journal you will find coverage from the very important meeting during which Honorary Membership of the Polish Society of Nuclear Medicine was awarded to distinguished professors of Nuclear Medicine. The session was followed by a symposium on PET-MR — an emerging hybrid modality. We encourage other societies to submit similar information about such events to the Editorial Office since we believe this may be interesting for our readers.

I hope that the article about the first European Accreditation awarded to the Polish Nuclear Medicine Centre will persuade other centres to share their achievements with the wider community. In general the editors are very keen to collect and publish information about all of the nuclear medicine centres in our region of Europe in order to promote the exchange of knowledge and support international cooperation.

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