Letter from the Editor-in-Chief of the Acta Dermatovenerologica Croatica

The Acta Dermatovenerologica Croatica (ADC) Journal Board and I as its Editor-in-Chief will do our best to stay in touch with you, and to jointly work on many important issues to be solved. Please contact me directly with your ideas. We are aiming to identify the areas that deserve most of ADC attention. Thus, you can follow and comment on the European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology (EADV), International Society of Dermatology (ISD), International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS) activities. It was a predominant task of the ISD to organize, with Professor Branka Marinović from Zagreb, the Regional Meeting Autoimmune Bullous Diseases – What’s New?, International Symposium, in Zagreb, October 28 and 29, 2011, and to prepare the next one on drug reactions, again in Croatia in 2012. How can we best balance between the different subspecialties of medicine? Some of you have already come up with suggestions, and we ask you to contact us for criticisms or proposals.

As it is often the case, such a successful activity as Autoimmune Bullous Diseases – What’s New? Symposium, makes all attendees keen to support and incite further activities. Professor Murrell from Sydney, Vice-President of ISD, was pleased with the truly great success of the Symposium organization, led by Professor Branka Marinović. Our expert lecturers exchanged thoughts, concerns and new concepts on autoimmune bullous diseases on the global scale.

I am honored to have been presented with the ISD Maria Duran Medal award, given to me during this Symposium. I am grateful particularly to Professor Dedee Murrell for her enthusiastic support of ISD, as well as Woman’s Dermatologic Society. Many thanks especially to Professor Branka Marinović for her efforts in the organization of the Autoimmune Bullous Diseases Symposium, in association with ISD and under the auspices of the Academy of Medical Sciences of Croatia. Especially, I was truly touched by her inspired speech in the ceremonial part of the Symposium.

Next year, the ILDS Dermatology Summit will take place on June 4-5, in Berlin. Presidents and other representatives of all member societies are invited to discuss the opportunities and challenges in dermatology on the global scale.

The scope of dermatology differs geographically, and we need to find ways to strengthen the areas of our discipline that are not represented globally, but which are of utmost importance where they belong to dermatology. Such fields include, among others, venereology, allergy, dermatopathology, proctology, mycology, etc.

Personally, I strongly believe that the ADC will identify and tackle the problems we are facing in dermatovenereology.

I strongly believe in further publicist success of ADC as a dermatologic frame.

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