A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear colleagues

I address to you as the new editor-in chief of *Hospital Chronicles*. I am succeeding in this position two highly acknowledged colleagues, professors C. Alexopoulos –who was also one of my most precious teachers in Medicine– and A. Manolis. Although my present occupation is not at the Evangelismos Hospital, I have worked in this hospital for 25 years and so I am permitted to consider myself as a lifelong member of its scientific family.

The Editorial Board of the Journal has been renewed. Some colleagues, distinguished in their scientific field, as well as some promising younger ones have entered it. The majority of the editors (associate, assistant and section editors) of the Journal are presently working in Evangelismos Hospital while the simple members of the editorial board cover a wide range of the scientific community from Greece and other countries. In collaboration with our editors we have prepared a text of "Terms and Conditions" for the Journal, in order to define the whole way of function of the Journal, including the roles of the members of our editorial board, according to their post in it, as well as the procedure with which articles submitted for publication would be reviewed. This text was approved and validated by the Administrative Board of the Scientific Society of Evagelismos Hospital. Additionally, the "instructions for authors" were reviewed and some changes and updating were performed.

Our aim is to keep this Journal at the sufficiently high level it has obtained in the previous years. We, the members of the editorial board, will do our best for this purpose, without ignoring the objective difficulties in this effort. However, a scientific journal, in order to survive and progress, needs an active support by all of you, its readers. What we want of you is to study each issue and make your remarks on it, as well as to participate to our common effort by submitting for publication your own papers.

The Editor in Chief
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