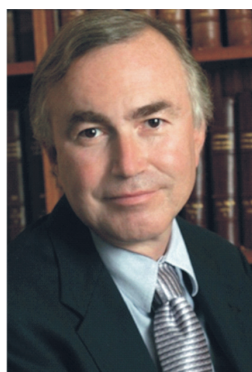


DEAR COLLEAGUES!

With the greatest pleasure, I congratulate you on the update of the Editorial board of “The Herald of Orthopedics, Traumatology and Prosthetics”, especially the foreign colleagues who have joined us. Flagship professionals, scientists, outstanding surgeons from Ukraine and many other states agreed to participate in our Ukrainian scientific edition. Among them: R. Seil (Luxembourg), W.J. Marzycynski (Warsaw, Poland), C.N. van Dijk (Netherlands), J.A. Nyland (USA), Ph. Neiret (France).



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In future work, we suggest to structure and extend the scope of scientific publications on the journal's topic announced; to publish reports on international trauma care and orthopedic conferences, the most interesting scientific statements and reports; popularize achievements and inventions of practicing surgeons; establish new rubrics: reviews of dissertations, books, and articles, discussions, columns, interviews, opinions, and, of course, critics – our readers' feedback.

We promise to provide, constantly and systematically, the “impact-factor” – the numeric citation value for the articles published in our journal. And, indeed, we shall strive for the journal's inclusion into the list of prestigious scientific sources on traumatology and orthopedics.

I have the pleasure of informing you on some preliminary agreements on comprehensive support to the “The Herald” with state institutions for scientific information in Ukraine and European countries, popular web-based media dedicate to medicine, and other mass media.

Our nearest plans: to update the journal's layout, its page makeup, fonts, and illustrations to make it more popular among practicing orthopedic surgeons, students, post-graduate students, and doctoral students, and generally those interested in matters of traumatology and orthopedics.

I wish you splendid health and new achievements!

*Yours Sincerely,
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