

INAUGURAL EDITORIAL



A warm Serbian welcome!

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Welcome to the inaugural issue of Neurohirurgija – The Serbian Journal of Neurosurgery. Launched in 2021 as the official journal of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society, this new serial publication brings an important recognition of the professional efforts of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society and marks a major milestone in its further development. It is indeed a great honour and privilege for me as President of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society to be entrusted with the editorship of this new forum of international academic exchange, aimed at promoting neurosurgery without borders.

In line with the current trends in neurosurgery and neuroscience, The Serbian Journal of Neurosurgery will foster a comprehensive intradisciplinary, interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary approach, covering all neurosurgical sub-specializations and related disciplines. Encompassing different specialties that collaborate to improve outcomes for patients with neurosurgical and related diseases, it will include all aspects of case assessment and surgical practice and all types of research, emphasizing clinical rather than experimental material.

The Journal will publish high-quality original research articles, as well as relevant comments and correspondences on all neurosurgical and related interdisciplinary topics. The envisaged publication dynamics is two issues per year, plus two supplements per year, with free access to scientific articles for individuals and maximally efficient time-to-publication process.

All papers submitted for publication are subject to rigorous and independent double-blind peer-review, in order to ensure the quality of the Journal, comprehensive citation in the major abstracting and indexing databases, and the resulting impact factor.

The inaugural issue comprises six articles (four by Serbian authors and two by international authors), covering several important fields of neurosurgery, including trauma, vascular, and tumors neurosurgery.

Group of Siberian neurosurgeons presented their amazing experience in the surgical treatment of complex middle cerebral artery aneurysms, while the Turkish group from Koc University reported a case of patient with an unusual bilateral germinoma.

Associate Editor, Prof. Pavličević contributed to the issue with an original research paper on the risk-factors for infection in patients with war traumatic brain injuries in a series of more than 200 survived patients.

To complement the Inaugural issue, Prof. Samardžić wrote an excellent review of nerve transfers used for functional priorities restoration in patients with brachial plexus injury, while colleagues neuroradiologists from Belgrade described the endovascular treatment of traffic accidents associated traumatic intracranial aneurysms, as an interdisciplinary topic, proving our will to accommodate such contributions in our journal in the future as well.

Last but not least, the Inaugural Issue also introduces a Special Topic on the use of ultrasound in neurosurgery tentatively titled “NEUROSONOLOGY X NEUROSURGERY” with the first paper on the basics of intraoperative ultrasound use in cranial neurosurgery, completing the lucky 7 with this Editorial.

I am sincerely grateful to all the colleagues who contributed to the first issue of The Serbian Journal of Neurosurgery: the authors, the reviewers, the editorial team, and the members of the International Editorial and Advisory Board, who generously shared their outstanding reputation and contribution in the field providing continuous support to the activities of the Serbian Neurosurgical Society.

With a view to the reputable international and interdisciplinary editorial structure, it is with firm belief and commitment that I express the hope that Neurohirurgija – The Serbian Journal of Neurosurgery will grow into a significant, recognizable and long-lasting platform for promoting neurosurgery without borders.

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