

## Nagovor dekana Medicinske fakultete Univerze v Mariboru

Mnogi, ki prebirate te vrstice, veste, da je Medicinska fakulteta Univerze v Mariboru (MF UM) mlada fakulteta, ki po letih ni niti prvošolček, pa vendar je v vaših rokah že prva številka znanstvene revije, katere izid nam je uspel že v letu, v katerem je bila revija zasnova. Tako kot fakulteta, ki je bila ustanovljena z Odlokom o preoblikovanju Univerze v Mariboru, sprejetim v Državnem zboru Republike Slovenije 2. oktobra leta 2003, in na katero se je prva generacija študentov vpisala v letu 2004/05, tako je tudi revija doseglja svoj prvi cilj. Načrtovanih ciljev pa je še veliko in verjamem, da bodo doseženi.

Septembra 2004 smo na Ljubljanski ulici 5 svečano odprli zgradbo, v kateri se nahajata Inštitut za anatomijo, histologijo in embriologijo ter Inštitut za fiziologijo. Dobro leto po tem je minister za visoko šolstvo, znanost in tehnologijo namenu predal obnovljene prostore Laboratorijskega centra MF UM na Magdalenskem trgu. V letu 2007 smo registrirali novi raziskovalni skupini in številne raziskovalce. Vse to je bilo v prid razvoju znanstvenoraziskovalnega dela na mladi fakulteti. V želji povezati čim več posameznikov, ki opravljajo raziskovalno in razvojno dejavnost na Univerzi v Mariboru, smo organizirali kar tri sestanke raziskovalcev, in sicer dva v letu 2007 in enega letos, na katerih smo beležili skupno več kot 150 udeležencev. Srečanja bomo organizirali tudi v prihodnje, saj bomo podprli pobudo strokovnega direktorja UKC, da srečanja postanejo tradicionalna. Prepričani smo, da je predstavitev raziskovalnega dela povezala posamezne strokovnjake, kar se nedvomno kaže tudi v tem, da bodo naši raziskovalci v novem programskem obdobju aktivni v več raziskovalnih programih ozioroma skupinah, kot so bili v preteklosti.

Ob vsem tem smo spoznali, da imamo v tem prostoru velik potencial za nastanek in razvoj znanstvene in strokovne revije, in se odločili še močneje povezovati medicinsko in biotehnično znanost. Da bo vsebina novo registrirane strokovne revije lahko zajela čim širši

## Address by the Dean of the Medical Faculty of the University of Maribor

Most of you who are reading these lines are aware that the Faculty of Medicine the University of Maribor (MF UM) is a young faculty. As far as its age is concerned it has not even reached "school age" and yet you are already holding in your hands the first number of a scientific journal whose issue succeeded in the very year when the journal was founded. The MF UM was founded with the Act on the reorganization of the University of Maribor, passed unanimously by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia on 2 October 2003. In the study year 2004/05 it saw the enrollment of its first generation of students. And just like our faculty then we have now accomplished our first goal. It is the first of many and I am quite confident that they will all be accomplished.

In September 2004 the festive opening of the building housing the Institute of Anatomy, Histology and Embryology as well as the Institute of Physiology took place at Ljubljanska 5. A good year later the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Technology officially opened the renovated tract of the Laboratory Center of the MF UM at Magdalenski trg. In 2007 two new research groups and numerous researchers were registered. All this contributed to the development of research work going on at the young faculty. Wishing to gather together the largest possible number of individuals performing research and development activities at the University of Maribor, we organized three meetings of researchers. Two took place in 2007 and the third was held this year, all three totaling over 150 participants. Further meetings will be organized, as it is our intention to support the suggestion of the Medical Director of University Clinical Center Maribor that these meetings should become a tradition. We are convinced that the presentation of the research work has served to join together experts from individual fields. This is no doubt also reflected in the fact that in the new program period our researchers will be active in a larger number of research programs or groups than in the past.

krog raziskovalne, strokovne in pedagoške javnosti, so v njej objavljeni prispevki v slovenskem in angleškem jeziku.

Časopis ima seveda željo in cilj, da bo z nadaljnjam permanentnim kvalitetnim delom dosegel tudi strokovno afirmacijo v mednarodnem strokovnem prostoru.

Še posebej nas veseli, da smo uspeli v uredniški odbor pritegniti ugledne medicinske strokovnjake, ki nam bodo pomagali slediti strokovnemu cilju, to je mednarodni strokovni javnosti posredovati čim bolj kakovostne strokovne informacije.

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As all this made us realize that we had great potential for the formation and development of a scientific and professional journal, we decided to work on an even stronger link between the medical and biotechnological sciences. In order that the contents of the newly registered professional journal might reach the broadest possible public of researchers, professionals and educationalists, it contains articles in both Slovene and English.

Of course, the editorial staff of *Acta medico-biotechnica* has its own wishes and goals for the journal – that it might attain international professional recognition through permanent high-quality work.

We are particularly pleased that some medical experts of repute have agreed to take their place in the Editorial Board. They will help us to pursue our goal of communicating high-quality professional information to the international professional public.

**Prof. Ivan Krajnc, MD, PhD**

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