

Preface



Dear Colleagues,
Readers, Authors, Reviewers,
Members of the Scientific Committee,
Thematic Editors,
and Members of the Editorial Board,

We are very glad to provide you with the first issue of *Family Medicine & Primary Care Review* in 2021.

We all know how difficult the year is on account of the Covid-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, we hope that you will be able to find some time to read this new issue of our quarterly, which offers an abundance of original articles discussing a broad range of issues, in which we are confident every reader will find something of interest. The pandemic is a period of in which great effort is required from family physicians, who may encounter a vast spectrum of cases in their practice, some of which may be discussed in this issues articles.

In the Opinions section this quarter, we have Zuzanna Mazurkierwicz's team on Hymenoptera venom allergy, and Romin Karimzadeh Ghassab on how vitamin D deficiency increases the risk of circulatory disease.

In the CME section, you can read the Compass Covid recommendations for acute infections in children during the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, developed for primary care physicians by a team led by Ernest Kuchar, as well as the Compass Fever recommendations for children, developed for primary care physicians by a team led by Zbigniew Doniec.

This issue, we have a number of interesting articles on pediatrics. I particularly recommend the article by Mariusz Jaworowski et al. discussing the treatment of children and youths with type-2 diabetes in family medicine, as well as the article by Anna Pantalewicz et al. on the psychological consequences of domestic violence against children and young people. Irene Rethemiotaki also discusses difficulties in learning among children suffering from asthma in the United States.

The study on the associations between stress and protein intake and short sleep duration among hypertensive patients, and the article on fear of death in the era of the pandemic, are no less interesting.

I hope that you manage to stay free from Covid-19 by observing the sanitary recommendations, while engaging in new challenges you are passionate about, and I wish you success in your research projects into the realities of family medicine, which I hope will result in publications in the pages of *FM&PCR*!

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