



Editorial

Dear readers and colleagues,

Welcome to the second issue of *Neurologia Croatica* in 2014. We have finished another successful year for *Neurologia Croatica* in this turbulent era for medical publishing. Due to the constantly increasing costs of publishing a medical journal, many publications have opted for the open access publishing model. This model imposes a great risk for young medical doctors from the low or middle income countries and hardly any investment in science, who are unable to pay for the cost of publication. Therefore, the Editorial Board of *Neurologia Croatica* together with the publisher has decided to retain the diamond open access model for our journal. In this regard, we invite young medical doctors to submit preliminary results of their research and interesting case reports to our journal.

In this issue of the journal, we bring an interesting original article by Dr. Pikića and colleagues. This article shows that a high level of education, healthy diet and moderate consumption of alcohol are associated with lower odds for first-ever ischemic stroke in hospital-based case-control study performed in the Varaždin County, Croatia.

Furthermore, we present several interesting Case Reports and Images in Neurology.

We are grateful to all reviewers who completed their reviews in 2014. The quality of the journal's review process is extremely important for the success of *Neurologia Croatica* and the contribution of scientific expertise of our reviewers to this process is highly appreciated. A list of all reviewers who completed their review in 2014 is given at the end of this issue.

At the end, I do hope you will enjoy reading this issue and I invite you to submit your next article to *Neurologia Croatica*.

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