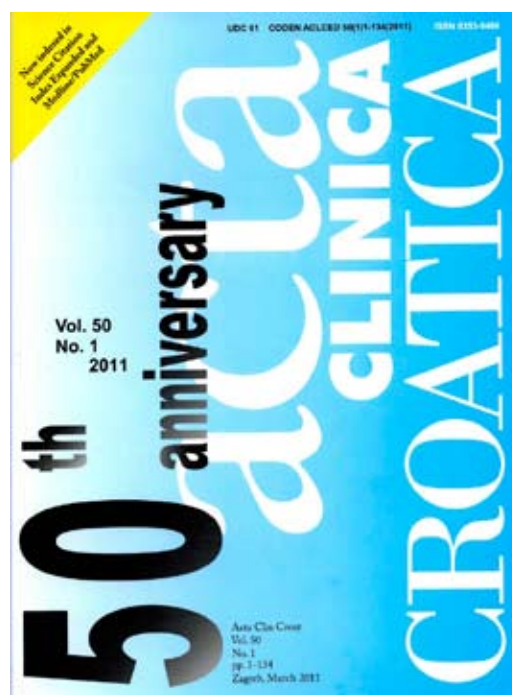


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Once again there is an anniversary for us to celebrate, this time it is neither 20th nor 30th, not even 40th anniversary. This is our 50th anniversary!

We celebrate fifty years, half a century of *Acta Clinica Croatica*, the journal of our Hospital, which first appeared in 1962 under the title *Anali bolnice "Dr. Mladen Stojanović"*. It should be noted that it was the first hospital journal in Croatia and one of the oldest journals covering the entire clinical medicine. There is only one older journal, *Liječnički vjesnik*, published by the Croatian Medical Association continually since 1877. The launching of our journal has been described in this section in 2002, when we celebrated our 40th anniversary¹. However, on this occasion, we feel that this significant anniversary deserves to be described by the words of Professor Vladimir Hudolin, the first Editor-in-Chief and initiator of the Hospital journal. Here is what Professor Hudolin said on the issue: "The

huge professional and scientific work performed at *Dr. Mladen Stojanović* Clinical Hospital imposes the need for the results achieved to be presented to the Croatian and international public. Our Hospital has grown into a large school of qualified professionals, and this activity and principles should be appropriately presented and transferred to our students. Based on this line of reasoning, I proposed issuing of a Hospital journal in 1962. The Hospital Professional Board accepted the idea and the present *Anali Kliničke bolnice Dr. M. Stojanović* appeared, supported by high enthusiasm and efforts invested by the Hospital as the founder of the journal"². The founders of the journal were B. M. Barac, A. Blau, A. Gospodnetić, V. Hudolin, S. Kadrnka, V. Kirhmajer, M. Knežević, I. Meixner, E. Najman, I. Padovan, D. Riessner, B. Srdar, D. Sučić, A. Šercer, M. Žepić, heads of the Hospital University Departments, Departments and Divisions.

Historically, our journal can certainly be considered a written archive containing results of the work and activities of all our university departments and departments, of our professionals, although contributions by physicians primarily from Croatia and then from other parts of former Yugoslavia and abroad appeared in the journal from the very beginning. Nowadays, the journal tends to present achievements and activities not only of our physicians, but also of all those submitting their papers to the Editorial Board and accepted through peer reviewing for publication. In this way, our journal contributes to European and world medicine, through its availability as e-journal and its citation in internationally recognized medical databases such as Index Medicus/Medline, Embase/Excerpta Medica, Scopus, Index Copernicus, and Science Citation Index Expanded.

Irrespective of all that has been achieved to date³, we do hope and believe that our journal will be continuously upgraded, developing in line with medical periodicals worldwide, following and recording everything important for the development of our Hospital at the professional, scientific and educational level in the forthcoming decades of the 21st century.

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