EDITORIAL

Dear readers, I take great pleasure in having kept my promise from the last volume, i.e. volume 38 of the journal RAD of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts - Medical Sciences, which is in front of you, was indeed published by October 2012. The contents of RAD 38 (2012) include the papers from the symposium entitled Modern Knowledge on Orofacial Diseases in Croatia, which was held on 18 November 2011 and organized by the Committee for Orofacial Diseases of the Department of Medical Sciences of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts. The symposium was co-organized by the School of Dental Medicine of the University of Zagreb, and led by Professor Jelena Aurer-Koželj and Professor Vjekoslav Jerolimov, both associate members of the Croatian Academy Department of Medical Sciences, and Professor Hrvoje Brkić, dean of the School of Dental Medicine of the University of Zagreb, who is also the guest-editor of this volume. I cordially thank our guest-editor, Professor Hrvoje Brkić for his great effort regarding the compiling of the symposium papers. I further thank Professor Vjekoslav Jerolimov for his major effort in editing this volume as deputy-editor of our journal. Last but not least, my sincere thanks are addressed to Professor Jelena Aurer-Koželj, chairperson of the Committee for Orofacial Diseases of the Department of Medical Sciences of the Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts, for her contribution.

I am very glad that RAD 38 (2012) will be available to the participants of the symposium, *Contemporary Concepts on Regenerative and Restorative Techniques in Dental Medicine* which will be held on 26 October 2012, this time with international participation. I believe that the papers from this second symposium tackling the topic of **orofacial diseases**, made possible thanks to the same organizers, will be published in one of the forthcoming volumes of the journal RAD.

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