

Dear Readers,

It was with great excitement that I awaited your reactions to the new number of our journal, *Entomologia croatica*, concerning which great efforts were made by the Editorial Board, particularly Dr Tanja Gotlin Čuljak, as well as younger colleagues Iva Mihoci, Lucija Serić Jelaska, MSc, and Dr Mladen Kučinić. To all of them I am extremely grateful, for it is so much easier to perform this responsible duty in such a setting. Along with generous criticisms, we have received numerous commendations. We are particularly happy that our journal, as assessed by the Publishing Commission of the Ministry of Science, Education and Sport, has been very highly rated. From the letter we received we would excerpt:

... evaluated as excellent and placed among the 10% best journals...

and according to all the parameters of a journal

...in the evaluation, the scientific contents of the journal were particularly taken into consideration, with the excellence of the reviewing procedure, the visibility and availability of the journal to the scientific community and the editorial work in the journal...

... We congratulate you on successful work to date and for collaboration with the Commission in the work of promoting Croatian scientific journals; we are fully persuaded that you will in the future too equally successfully present Croatian science and scientists.

Now that's a spur to entomologists!

Please then send us the results of your scientific research, adjusted to the instructions to contributors of our journal. This way we will be even more successful, together.

Particularly heartening is that young entomologists are sending us the results of their research, in the hope that the main commission will take into account the evaluation of our domestic magazines. It is encouraging that the Commission will officially send the National Science Council, the Branch Scientific Councils and the National Council for Higher Education a list of the best-evaluated journals

and draw attention to the excellence of Croatian scientific magazines, and the importance of an evaluation of editorial work in the procedures for promotion in scientific and teaching posts.

I would also call upon eminent scientists who have acquired scientific reputations to contribute to the promotion of our national journals by publishing in them the results of their own research.

Knowledge and boldness go hand in hand.

Sincerely yours,

Paula Durbešić