Editor-in-chief's voice

Dear Friends,

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2018! I hope that this holiday season will bring you time to relax and reflect upon the past year.

The medical profession brings many possibilites for new ventures and in a certain way predisposes us to this.

We as doctors have many important roles to fulfill, usually simultaneously, such as those of: therapists, operators, scientists, managers, lecturers, publishers, editors, authors, and association members. The number of our endeavours is undoubtedly larger and continues to impress me.

Please forgive me for a short personal digression. Once, I met the children of a prominent surgeon and scientist, who was committed to his patients and whose achievements I had read about in journals. I asked them what kind of a person he was on a daily basis and what did he pass on to them, the next generation? "Dad? He went to work early in the morning, came home late at night, and on Sundays he needed his rest. We barely knew him."

Therefore, I would like to wish you all of the best and that during this holiday season you are able to spend quality time with your families and those closest to you. In time, everything will pass; our successors and new methods and techniques will arrive. Grateful patients will soon forget, and only we will remain, in the memories of our loved ones.

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