AUTUMN 2017 NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS,

Welcome to our Autumn 2017 newsletter! I can hardly believe that it has been nearly a year since our biennial meeting in Mumbai. Our Board has been extremely active in re-establishing ties to old friends and creating new alliances for our Society. Membership applications have hit a long term high- much thanks is due to all the hard working members of your executive Board. Highlights from the last year include successful board meetings in London, Seoul, Vilnius, and

Asuncion in addition to regular teleconferences. Consciously, the Executive Board decided to not hold a meeting in Seattle to demonstrate our sincerity that we are taking a global approach to our society. During this and next year we are planning to have another executive board meetings around the world. The Executive Board has appointed Nasser al Sannea of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia as the the new Editor-in-Chief of our World Journal of Colorectal Surgery. He is in the process of re-establishing a new young vibrant international editorial board. We are all excited about the future of our internet journal and really excited about having this visionary take the helm of our internet journal. Much thanks and appreciation to Marc Brozovich who was honored by our board for his extraordinary efforts keeping this journal moving forward and for his herculean efforts to improve it. He will be joining Anthony Senagore and myself as Emeritus Editor in Chief. It is an honor he deserves. The Executive Board selected London for our 2018 meeting. Mr. Nunoo-Mensah is hard at work

developing an academic and social program that will make London unforgettable. Please take a

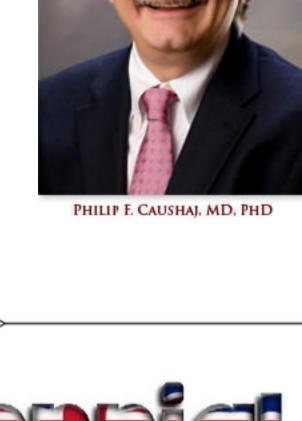
moment to block your schedule and plan on attending our biennial meeting in the summer of 2018. We will be co-hosting the 5th annual DDCRS meeting in London this December 2017. The Board has approved new lectureships in addition to our prestigious Bacon oration. This year will inaugurate the Angelita Habr Gabr Pioneer in Colorectal Surgery Award, the Fumio Konishi. Excellence in Clinical or Research Award, the Jae Gab Park for Outstanding Contribution to Colon and Rectal Surgery Award and the ISUCRS Master of Coloproctology Award. Consider joining the most influential leaders of Coloproctology in beautiful London in 2018. We have some exciting local meetings we are sponsoring. We recently joined the Egyptian Society of Colon and Rectal Surgery last week in Cairo under the leadership of Khaled Madbouly and the ISUCRS Executive Board will be present in Tirana, Albania for the creation of the Albanian Society of Coloproctology this November 2017. We will be cosponsoring an exciting meeting in Yangzhou, China

in November 2017 as well. We actively supported the ALACP meeting in Paraguay under the leadership of our colleague and friend Ricardo Fretes. This was one of the most excellent meetings I have ever attended!!! The Lithuanian Society of Coloproctology under the able leadership of Dr. Narimantas Samalavicius, our Director General, just organized a Lithuanian-Korean Meeting held in South Korea. Dr. Samalavicius has been working tirelessly to bring down borders and make the world a smaller place. I am inspired by his activities! There are plans underway for an exciting meeting in St. Petersburg in June 2018 under the leadership of our fellow board member Dr. Pravosudov. We are the only World Society of Colon and Rectal Surgery. Please visit our website at isucrs.org and consider becoming a member. The Chair of the ByLaws committee is currently working on our process to modernize this Society and make it relevant for todays surgeons. Please let me know if you have any suggestions by contacting me directly either at PFC954@aol.com or

All the best and hope to see you soon! Philip F. Caushaj, MD, PhD, FACS, FACG, FASCRS, FISUCRS, FASGE, AGAF, FSSO

President of ISUCRS

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29th August - 1st September 2018

Kings College London
The Strand London, UK Provisional programme for The 2018 London ISUCRS Biennial Congress Currently, we have a **SUPER EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION** of £280 and £160 for consultants and trainees respectively.

Workshop fees will range from £40-80.

These fees will be maintained until Friday, January 5th, 2018.

Oral & Video Abstract

Supper Early Bird

ISUCRS And The Lithuanian Society of

Coloproctologists Join Forces Meeting

Held In Vilnius, Lithuania

May 5-6, 2017

The 9th triennial meeting of the Lithuanian Society of Coloproctologists was held together with a

already third joint meeting of this society and ISUCS – the first one was held in 2011 with 7th triennial

meeting as well in city of Vilnius. ISUCRS was well represented by our president prof. Phil Caushaj

(USA), secretary general mr. Joseph Nunoo-Mensah (UK), administrative director Ilda Boholli (USA),

session of the International Society of University Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS). This is

and some other active society members. The meeting as organized by current president of the

Lithuanian Society of Coloproctoogists and director general of ISUCRS prof. Narimantas Evaldas

Submission - Now Open

Registration

Samalavicius (during this meeting, he was as well re-elected for another 3 years as a president of the Lithuanian Society of Coloproctologists). Other international guests included prof. Dursun Bugra (Turkey), prof. Koutarou Maeda (Japan), dr. Lindita Shosha Mano (Albania), dr. Sunil Kumar Gupta (India), prof. Adam Dziki (Poland). A total of appr. 200 attendees were present during the meeting mostly from Lithuania, but as well some from neighboring country Latvia. "Incorporating ISUCRS to meetings organized by local societies – either national or regional – is of great value for rebirth and spread of ISUCRS, which is the only society uniting colorectal surgeons from all over the world. We can expose our international society to a great number of colorectal surgeons from the area where meeting is held, who will not all be present at other international

meetings where ISUCRS is exposed or biennial meeting of our organization, thus this possibility to

quality of presentations by our international guests allows us to share frontline views on colorectal

anniversary in last year. It was created by a group of enthusiastic colorectal surgeons guided by our

famous prof. Vytautas Zykas. Today it has 75 members, which is a very good number, as population

learn about ISUCRS more and even become an active members is at easy reach for them. The

Lithuanian Society of Coloproctologists was founded in 1991, and already celebrated its 25th

of Lithuania is less than 3 million people. Apart from triennial meetings, every year this society

organizes international colorectal conferences – now regularly for more than 20 years. Those

the most active and visible professional medical society in Lithuania.

Prof Narimantas Evaldas Samalavicius

Director General of ISUCRS

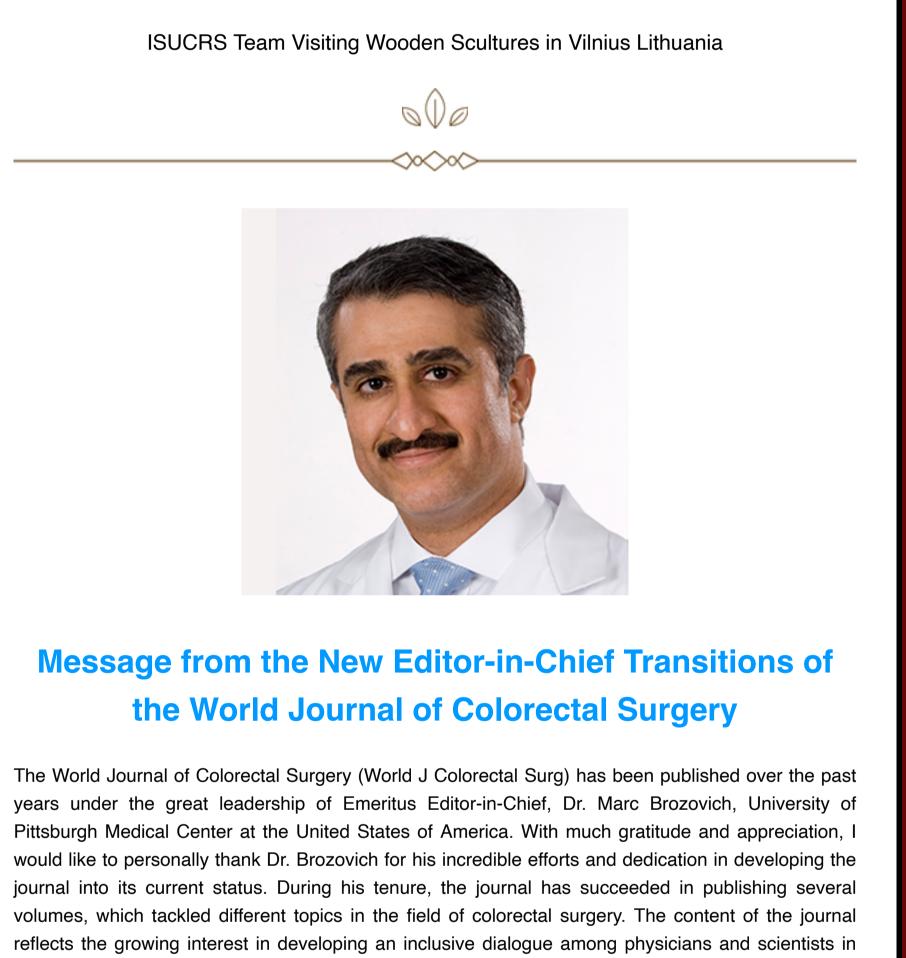
meetings included a lot of outstanding event – Mayo Clinic days in Vilnius, International Colorectal

Summit, and even an Interim meeting of ISUCRS (World Colorectal Conference in 2013). Today, it is

disorders."

Vilnius, Lithuania





order to reach a standardized consensus on the approach to common colorectal problems. I also

would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the valuable contribution of the Editorial

Board Members and Reviewers to the peer review process. Your valuable comments and services

I am honored to have been selected by the Executive Board of the International Society of University

Colon and Rectal Surgeons (ISUCRS) upon the recommendations of the President Prof. Philip F.

Caushaj, to carry on the mission and vision of the journal in publishing high-quality and informative

papers from all over the world. Major changes are currently being undertaken to enrich the experience

for the reader and the author through a number of steps. The Publication Office of the World Journal

of Colorectal Surgery will be moved virtually to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia and specifically to the

Publication office at King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre (KFSHRC). KFSHRC

continues to be a role model and inspiration to the healthcare community in the Kingdom with its high-

quality patient care, excellent tradition of education, career development, and high accreditation standards. Three medical journals, Annals of Saudi Medicine, Hematology/Oncology and Stem Cell

Therapy, and International Journal of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine, are published by KFSHRC

that engage the scientific community with updates and advances in the fields of medicine and surgery.

The journals which are handled by the Publication Office are indexed in various medical databases

The World Journal of Colorectal Surgery is embarking on a new path towards full indexing in PubMed

Centre (PMC) through the completion of all requirements to pass the scientific and quality screening

over the next 3 years. In addition, Medknow Publications-Wolters Kluwer N.V., has been contracted to

set up a user-friendly online submission system and a website with advanced features. The journal

will offer a timely full cycle review process from submission to publication of no longer than 45 days,

free copyediting, plagiarism checking, article formatting, online indexing, post-publication marketing,

such as PubMed, Web of Science, Embase, Scopus and Google Scholar.

and ahead of print release.

suggestions at e-mail: nsanea@kfshrc.edu.sa.

World Journal of Colorectal Surgery

Prof. Nasser Al-Sanea

Editor-in-Chief

Dear Prof. Park,

him.

I would like to introduce myself to you.

You might ask why I'm writing you now in 2017.

have greatly contributed to the improvement of the journal and the mission of the Publication Office.

The journal will be an open access journal with no fees for submission nor publication. The aim is to attain the highest caliber of academic neutrality as set by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) organization, which the journal strives to join as a full member. Ms. Amal Al-Ghammas, Senior Editor, will lead the Editorial Office, and we welcome her on board. She will ensure a steady support to the journal and its ongoing operations. She is experienced in using different publishing platforms such as ScholarOne Manuscripts, Elsevier and Medknow. She is also a writer and a member of the Council of Science Editors and American Medical Writers Association (AMWA). The World Journal of Colorectal Surgery thanks King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre Organization and their Publication Office for their financial support, sponsorship and, dedication to the success of the journal.

These are exciting times for the World Journal of Colorectal Surgery, and we hope it will reflect

positively on the experience of our readers and authors. We welcome all your comments, ideas, and

Email Received By The Granson Dr. Leo Rudolf Walter

Kronberger Regarding His Grandfather,

Prof. Dr. Leo Kronberger.

My name is Leo Kronberger. I'm the grandson of Prof. Dr. med. Leo Kronberger who you met in

1990 and who you gave as a present for organizing the "13th congress of international society

and university colon and rectal surgeons" an original gold medal of the Olympic Games in 1988.

My grandfather died in 2008, shortly before I started in Semmelweis university Budapest my

Beside all the pictures and memories it's one of the only things I can hold in hands and think of

My student life was never that easy. I had to fight for my way but after all those years I would

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medical career. Caused by family disputes I never have had massive contact to my father's

family, except my grandfather. When he died, one of the little things I got was this medal.

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do everything again like I did. All mistakes and all good things cause they make me the way I am today. I'm pleased and proud that I was able to finish medical university in July 2016 and since August I'm a resident doctor for general surgery in Switzerland. As you are the person who gave my grandfather that present I think it's your right to know who got it after his death. I hope you allow me to keep it as a reminder of my grandfather and as a symbol, that with strength and believe you can reach all goals you want to achieve. I'm sending you a picture of the medal and your letter. Thanks for your time reading my letter, Yours sincerely, Leo Kronberger

Dear Professor des Kronberger: 2 would like to express my seriese gratitude Los your excellent organization of XIIIth Richard Congress of International Society of University Colon and Bectal Surgeons. I hope you would accept and keep this gold medal of Seoul Olympic Games as a symbol of your successful organization of Groz meeting. Dircarely yours, Jae Galb Pork 000 **UPCOMING EVENTS** 3rd International Medical Nov Congress in Albania 16 Thu Thu, Nov 16 - Sat, Nov 18 All day Plaza Hotel Tirana, Albania Dilemmas & Debates in Dec Colorectal Surgery Thu Thu, Dec 7 - Sat, Dec 9

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• Have an opportunity to be regional vice president and participate on the ISUCRS executive board and/or participate in a number of ISUCRS committees • Receive 1/2 yearly newsletter with updates about the society and colon and rectal surgery activities • Have an opportunity to host ISUCRS's Biennial Congress in his/her country by

• Obtain member-only access to a new enhanced ISUCRS website with free educational information e.g. lecture slides, practice guidelines, live streaming videos (coming in 2018) • Access to the ISUCRS Membership listing (coming in 2018) And lots more... **Membership Dues Structure**

> To find the tier group for your country <u>click here</u> to view the list. Active 1 Members pay annual dues of \$150 USD per year. Active 2 Members pay annual dues of \$100 USD per year.

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• Reduced registration fees for ISUCRS' biennial congress

The dues structure is a 2-tier system based on the per capita income of each country.

• Have your contact details on ISUCRS's website including private practice details/website

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