

*Editorial*

*Dear colleagues,*

*I am happy to present you with the new issue of Southeastern European Medical Journal (SEEMEDJ 2018;(2):1:1-58). This is the fourth number in the second year of journal publication and it is devoted to nursing.*

*This issue brings papers from Croatian authors- nurses from various fields. The review by Mikšić et al. is on the theory of unpleasant symptoms and the concept of nursing support. This theory helps in planning nursing interventions and facilitates healthcare delivery in general.*

*Authors Batrnek et al. provide original research on comorbidities of posttraumatic stress disorder and alcohol dependence in more than 150 patients, with findings on increased divorce rate and alcohol consumption with the prescribed therapy in this population.*

*Two other papers are concerned with the problems of stress in nurses in the surgery intensive care units (Pačarić et al, Work-related Stress and Most Common Stressors for Surgical Nurses and Pačarić et al, Emotional Control in Surgical and Intensive Care Nursing: Sociodemographic Differences). Both papers are original research papers with important results on burdens and management of stress in nurses, while paper by Maceković M and Prlić N. provides information on the attitudes of health care professionals on the importance of public health nurses' education.*

*Finally, the paper by Raza and Miedany (UK) brings the comprehensive review on giant cell arteritis and an attempt to identify the standard of care in individuals with suspected giant cell arteritis in a typical district general hospital and to offer a proposed pathway for treatment of the disease.*

*It is important to mention the art work at the cover page of this issue. It is a painting by Julije Knifer "AP XP" from the Museum of Fine Arts in Osijek (selected by Ms Valentina Radoš, senior curator). Julije Knifer (born in Osijek) was our fellow citizen, renowned Croatian writer and painter.*

*On behalf of editorial board and my own, I warmly greet our readers and invite them to join us in the endeavour of publishing own scientific work in SEEMEDJ.*

*Sincerely,*

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