Introduction

Dear readers,

In the year of the nines, when we remember many important events forming both our states, the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic, we also write the nine in the serial number of this year's Czech-Slovak Pharmacological Days. This year the 69th traditionally held conference has been organized and we believe that this year's program certainly had something to offer. As is customary, it is certainly not just a formal and sterile event. Although this is not primarily a social event, meeting and exchanging valuable experiences is a central pillar of the conference. Molecular and experimental pharmacology issues, hot topics of clinical pharmacology and toxicology were broadly discussed. Leading experts in the field of pharmacoeconomics and pharmacoepidemiology also had their own sections, and contributions related to the development of new pharmaceuticals or news from the field of cell therapy and stem cell utilization were also positively acknowledged. Everything was interwoven with keynote lectures and poster messages.

This year, the meeting of the pharmacological community was held at the Third Faculty of Medicine of Charles University in Prague and was attended by 130 pharmacologists, pharmacists and other related specialists. The authors of some of the topics discussed here were asked by the organizing committee to present their messages also in the form of a review article or original paper within this supplement specially issued on the occasion of this event.

The 70th Czech-Slovak Pharmacological Days will be held next year. After a consensus of Czech (ČSEKFT ČLS JEP) and Slovak (SFS SLS) professional societies, they will again be held in the central European metropolis, Prague, where the history of the whole Europe has been written many times. And now it will be not different, because they will be part of the current conference EPHAR 2020. Another opportunity to exchange valuable experience, expertise and especially warm people-to-people relationships…

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