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It is my great pleasure to inform you that we have enlarged the number of Associate Editors. Dr. Christian Bartsch has kindly accepted my invitation to join the Board of Associate Editors of the Neuroendocrinology Letters. I also would like to welcome very cordially a new member of the Editorial Board, Professor Vladimir Kh. Khavinson, M.D., Ph.D., Vice President of the Gerontological Society of the Russian Academy of Sciences and Director of the Institute of Bioregulation and Gerontology in St. Petersburg, Russia.

I would like to express my gratitude to all the authors who have contributed with Original Articles to this issue. We have also added a Short Communication and a paper from the field of Human Ethology. Human Ethology can be defined as the biology of human behavior and can bring significant insight to the evaluation of the pathology of human behavior in various medical disciplines. This paper is reprinted from the Int. Journal of Prenatal and Perinatal Psychology and Medicine 1996, presented at the International Congress of Prenatal and Perinatal Psychology and Medicine in Prague entitled “A New Approach to Primary Prevention.” We published this paper also as Homage to the author Dr. Zdenek Klein, one of the leading human ethologists, a great and faithful friend and supporter of the Neuroendocrinology Letters, who died in May 2000 (see the Obituary and the Poster on “Integrative approach to the study of human behavior” in the Neuroendocrinology Letters Vol. 21 No. 5, October 2000).


I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all Authors, Peer-Reviewers, Members of the Editorial Board, our subscribers, all the readers and the Agents contributing to the success of this Volume. I wish all of you all the best for the coming holidays and for a very successful and prosperous New Year 2001 together with the staff of the Neuroendocrinology Letters.

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