President's address to the participants of the 9th Congress of the Association of Yugoslav Pathologists

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

I am really content and happy that, in the spite of numerous difficulties and limitations, we have collected strength and funds enough to mark the end of this century and millennium by organizing the 9th Yugoslav Conference on Pathology with International Participation in the beautiful scenery of Vrnjacka Banja.

Within the scope of the four main Conference topics (neuropathology, dermatopathology, lymphoma pathology and transplantation pathology), the Conference included 10 introductory lectures and 19 oral presentations, one lecture by invitation and a rather interesting and successful slide seminar on biopsies and diagnostic "traps". There also were 111 poster presentations, with four of them rewarded. The first reward was awarded to the poster by Lady Doctor Irina Prodanova from Macedonia, entitled "THE BRENNER TUMOR OF OVARY AND TRANSI-TIONAL CELL NEOPLASMS OF THE URINARY BLADDER. COMPARATIVE HISTOCHEMICAL AND IMMUNOHISTOCHEMICAL ANALYSIS".

Yugoslavia has recently been going through its probably most "hard times", disturbing all spheres of life. A few-month-delay in publishing the papers reported at the Conference in the journal "Archive of Oncology" is certainly partly due to these inconvenient general circumstances.

Fortunately, now we can proudly say we have gone through and survived both personally and as a community.

I warmly hope the next, 10th Yugoslav Conference on Pathology will be organized in Belgrade in 2002 under much better circumstances, with even more enthusiasm and ambition.

Hoping to welcome you at the 10th Yugoslav Conference on Pathology,

Professor Živka ERI President of the Yugoslav Association on Pathology

