Dear colleagues!

The first month of summer has brought us wonderful news — the recognition of the journal "Gastroenterology" as worthy of inclusion in the international scientific database Scopus. I want to emphasize that this achievement is the result of invaluable long-term hard work and relentless efforts by a wide range of dedicated individuals and experts committed to their cause. Over the past years, we have overcome a challenging path together, working to improve the quality, reputation, and competitiveness of the journal. This success is a well-deserved reward for tireless work and a confirmation of the chosen path’s correctness.

Undoubtedly, this is an important step in the development of our journal. Firstly, it significantly expands the sphere of influence of our publications, thus attracting the attention of researchers from around the world to our scientific developments. Accessibility to a wide range of experts will ensure greater impact and citations for our authors. Additionally, we become part of the global scientific discussion and exchange of ideas, stimulating further development of the scientific community and contributing to the growth of professional prestige for authors published in the journal. Our goal is to continue evolving and providing you, our authors, with the best conditions for publishing scientific works. We are committed to maintaining high editorial quality and objectivity in the selection of publications. Your research and scientific contributions are an integral part of our success, and we are grateful to you for your contribution to the development of "Gastroenterology" journal.

I want to express sincere words of gratitude to the entire scientific and medical community of Ukraine, which, despite the challenges and obstacles of wartime, maintains the desire to work, continues to strive, and does not stop at what has been achieved. Let us continue our research, provide quality scientific information, and improve medical practice. The inclusion of the "Gastroenterology" journal in Scopus is not only our collective achievement but also evidence of high scientific competence, spiritual resilience, and endurance of all those involved in this event.

I personally extend my gratitude to the editorial board of the journal for their high professionalism and valuable expertise in the selection of articles for publication. I have great respect for the Publishing House "Zaslavsky", whose employees reliably maintain high-quality standards and actively contribute to the development of the journal. I also express deep gratitude to all authors whose works have been published in our journal for their dedication and contribution to the development of gastroenterology. With your support and active participation, I am confident that we will be able to realize all our ambitious plans and expand the influence of our journal in the international scientific community. Once again, I express sincere words of thanks to each of you for your dedication and contribution to this collective success.

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