

Editorial

The honour of having been requested to write a few lines by way of introduction for the periodical Urology and Nephrology I deem very great indeed.

It gives me great satisfaction to do so, since every effort made in the cause of scientific progress deserves ardent support. The publication of a periodical of this character is a convincing proof in itself that the language barrier and financial difficulties can successfully be overcome.

Nowadays it is no longer doubted that urology and nephrology are closely connected, that they, in fact, complete each other; and to prove this no words are to be wasted.

To my mind it is appropriate to devote part of the quarterly to andrology, since the close relations between the urinary and genital systems are well known both in physiology and pathology.

The journal will fill a gap in a wide geographical zone of significant scientific tradition, all the more so because the possibilities for regular publication have not always been given in this part of Europe. At the same time it will serve as a link between the urologists in Eastern and Western countries, rendering possible a better exchange of knowledge and a higher level of understanding between them, which can only be of great advantage to all concerned.

I myself have been familiar with the high standard of urology at the Budapest Medical University since the times of Professor Géza Illyés and his colleagues, who themselves are famous specialists today. I have not ceased attentively to follow their excellent work ever since I visited them in 1937.

The quarterly will certainly meet with full success if we think of the well-known names of the above medical school and the outstanding representatives of urology collaborating with them.

These personalities guarantee the scientific value and results of the journal, to which I wish much success.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Gil Vernet', with a long, sweeping horizontal line underneath it.

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