

Editor's Welcome

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In the 13th issue of the International Heart and Vascular Disease Journal, there are leading article, original articles, and a congress report.

The leading article was prepared by the group of leading Russian scientists working in the area of epidemiology of chronic non-infectious diseases. This popular study analyzes gender aspects of cardiovascular diseases' prevention and treatment.

Five articles of authors from Russia, Egypt and Belarus are included into the traditional "Original articles" section.

A group of authors from Saint Petersburg examined 186 patients with AH and identified that the analysis of cognitive evoked potentials is an informative technique in addition to neuropsychological study in the diagnosis of cognitive disorders. The second original article describes the use of results of one major database that allowed forming the concept and classifying nonspecific cardiac morphofunctional syndromes in coronary heart disease. A group of researchers from Ulyanovsk investigated endocrine system pathology associated with acute coronary syndrome in case of mildly changed/intact coronary arteries. The results of this study demonstrated that females aged less than 75 years with thyroid gland disorders have abnormal carbohydrate metabolism, elevated blood pressure and high probability to develop "acute coronary syndrome without ST segment elevation" in case of mildly changed coronary arteries. Belorussian scientists in their study revealed that kidney transplant recipients with atrial fibrillation have high frequency of thromboembolic complications in the long-term postoperative period that requires prescription of indirect anticoagulants in 62,5% of cases in addition to combined immunosuppressive therapy. Egyptian researchers used the tissue Doppler technique to estimate the influence of obesity on left ventricular structure and myocardial function on subclinical level. Definition of deformation and the velocity of deformation measured using this technique may help to predict subclinical changes of myocardial structure and function.

This issue includes also the report about the II Interregional Congress of cardiology and internal medicine that was held in Ulyanovsk on December, 5-6, 2017.

I invite everybody to collaborate with the journal. We are waiting for your original papers, review articles, discussions, and opinions about problems, treatment and prophylaxis recommendations.