



Editor's Welcome

Dear colleagues!

In the 14th issue of the International Heart and Vascular Disease Journal, there are leading article, review article, original articles, and clinical seminar.

The leading article of this issue was done by the group of Belorussian researchers and it is dedicated to identification of functional state of cardiovascular system and cardiovascular risk stratification in women with asymptomatic ST segment depression and postovariectomy syndrome

Our "Review articles" section is present with analytic review exploring the problem of connection between erectile dysfunction and anxiety-depression disorders in arterial hypertension, including their pathogenetic linkage and therapeutic options.

Traditional "Original articles" section includes 3 works of Russian authors. The first one investigated the life quality and depression intensity in patients with arterial hypertension receiving maintenance hemodialysis treatment in the Udmurt republic. According with these results, patients with AH undergoing maintenance hemodialysis had more severe depression and lowered life quality. The second original article evaluated correlation between lipid metabolism characteristics and iron-deficiency anemia in women of child-bearing age. Lately big attention is paid to investigation of cardiovascular disease markers in sportsmen. Another original article is dedicated to assessment of hemodynamic characteristics in athletes of different kinds. Although the prevalence of arterial hypertension in athletes is lower than in population, elevated BP increases the risk of myocardial hypertrophy and remodeling that is one of possible contraindications for sports with high static loads.

"Clinical seminar" session discusses an important topic of chronic mesenteric ischemia. This disease is difficult for diagnostics by general practitioners due to the lack of specific symptoms. This work covers etiology, classification of several authors, clinical manifestations depending on vascular lesions' localization, problems of diagnostics and treatment of abdominal ischemic disease. Educational review article may be useful for general practitioners.

We 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.

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