



Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Society for Cryobiology



Dear colleagues, we are very excited to have a chance of sending our greetings on the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of the Society for Cryobiology.

Our Institute for Problems of Cryobiology and Cryomedicine of the National Academy of Science of Ukraine (IPCC NAS of Ukraine) has a long-standing relationship with the Society. It started in 1973 when the first director of the IPCC Prof. Mykola S. Pushkar was invited by Prof. David E. Pegg to join the Society and there were initiated tight contacts with Prof. Arthur Row as Editor-in-Chief of Cryobiology journal at that time.

It is quite interesting that Prof. Mykola Pushkar remained the only one representative of the former USSR as the member of the Society till 1980. Afterwards in 1976 there was launched a cooperation via publishing the research papers in the established by the IPCC “Cryobiology and Cryomedicine survey“, so you can easily find the reports of such leading cryobiologists as John Farrant and David E. Pegg in our library archives. In 1979 Prof. Pushkar visited the 16th annual meeting of the Society in Atlanta (USA) and made the report on local cooling of thermal burns. Much later in 2010 the next director of the IPCC Prof. Valentyn I. Grischenko was also recognized by the Society, being elected as Cryofellow.

The core staff of the IPCC participates in the Society for Cryobiology meetings and actively cooperates with Cryobiology journal both by submitting the papers and as reviewers. Over these decades, the Society has always demonstrated its support to our Institute, numerous research and friendly contacts were established, many scholars from our country received their start in sciences through the attendance of the meetings and publishing their results in Cryobiology journal. The Society has earned a worthy high place in world science throughout training the future generation of cryobiologists, dissemination of the achievements in this field.

Since then, the Society has actually raised a large number of highly qualified specialists working now in various top-rated research centers of excellence worldwide.

Now the Society is a multidisciplinary union with fundamental features of academic excellence and freedom. It is a modern research and learning community joining the scholars with a wide range of specialties. These are highly qualified professors, postdocs and talented youth, striving to rapid development of fundamental science, integration into the international cooperative projects, mastering brand new technologies.

We sincerely wish all the Society, all its members a bright future achievements. We do hope for keeping an atmosphere of creativity and research discoveries. The leadership of the Society for Cryobiology is based on the combination of the capabilities of each member. This hope is supported by the experience of publishing the papers in the journal of Cryobiology, communications during annual meetings, recognizing the impact of the scientists on the cryobiology field.

We are sending our friendly greetings from here, from Ukraine which is heroically fighting for survival. We are looking to continue an active cooperation between the Society and IPCC to carry out the joint research projects and to raise the next generation of cryobiologists.

May everyone here be successful, purposeful and inspired. We wish you all strong knowledge and good mood, brave ideas! We are very proud to be a part of this cryocommunity!

On behalf of the IPCC staff
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