Editors’ Choice of this month:
Comorbidities of Alopecia Areata in Finland between 1987 and 2016
Idamaria Laitinen, Jari Jokelainen, Kaisa Tasanen, Laura Huilaja

Comments by the authors: We feel this paper is very important due to the fact that alopecia areata is a relatively common disease globally, and very likely more common than acknowledged. One of the main goals of this paper was to increase awareness of alopecia areata both among healthcare professionals and the public by pointing out that alopecia areata is not only a cosmetic problem, but it is also associated with increased risk of several comorbidities. In my opinion, as a person suffering from alopecia areata and as a future doctor, it is important to be aware of these risks. Read more

Further highlights of this month:
Psychosocial Aspects of Adult Acne: Data from 13 European Countries. Read more
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Comparison of Cytokine Expression in Paediatric and Adult Psoriatic Skin. Read more
Jin Cheol Kim, So Min Kim, Byung Woo Soh, Eun-So Lee

Coexistence of Oncogenic Human Papillomavirus Genotypes in Condylomata Acuminata among Children and Adolescents. Read more
Enklajd Marsela, Angelika J. Fischbeck, Johannes A. Hildebrand, Rui Aoki, Lars E. French, Andreas Wollenberg, Elisa Schmoeckel, Markus Reinholz

Prevalence of Pruritus in a Single Cohort of Long-term Kidney Transplant Recipients. Read more
Severin Schricker, Elke Weisshaar, Jörg Kupfer, Thomas Mettang

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The celebration comprise a symposium and a series of theme issues called entitled "Frontiers in Dermatology and Venereology"

In 1920, *Acta Dermato-Venereologica (ActaDV)* was founded in Stockholm by the Chairman of Dermatology and Syphilidology at Karolinska Institutet, Professor Johan Almkvist. To begin with, it was a minor tri-lingual journal (German, French, English) with contributions mainly from Europe. Today, 100 years and 6 editors later, the journal is an online, open access and peer-reviewed publication, own by a non-profit society and produced entirely in-house without any dependency on a commercial publisher. For an historic review see Vahlquist A. *ActaDV 100 years – An incomplete history*. Annually, ActaDV releases 250–300 papers submitted from all around the world. The acceptance rate is around 50% and the impact factor 3.4–4.2 in recent years, i.e. among top 10 in the field.

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On behalf of the editorial board and as principal organizer of the centenary celebrations, I wish to sincerely thank all the authors who kindly accepted to contribute to the theme issues, the specially appointed theme editors, and the skilful work of the editorial office without which nothing of this had been possible.

*Uppsala in December 2019*

Anders Vahlquist
Former Editor-in-Chief and current Chairman of the Society for Publication of Acta Dermato-Venereologica

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**The symposium is cancelled due to covid-19!**

We are sorry to inform you that the symposium in May 2020 has now been cancelled. Needles-to-say we were all very much looking forward to listening to all interesting lectures at the symposium and regret the inconveniences that the cancellation has/will cause you. We have considered the possibilities of postponing the meeting or performing it online but have reached the conclusion that neither option is feasible.

We are happy though that all lecturers in this planned symposium have written a review article which are currently being released in the centenary issues of ActaDV. Once they are all published, they will be presented in a printed book that can be ordered. Click on the links below for the already released theme issues and see the titles of each article in the theme and read them online.

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