ADDRESS TO READERS

Dear colleagues, readers and authors of the "Vestnik NovSU" scientific journal!

We keep on introducing you to current scientific research, the results of which are presented by our regular and new authors on the pages of "Vestnik NovSU", series "Medical Sciences".

We are pleased to share with you the university's achievements in the field of medical education, which is declared one of the strategic directions of NovSU development. At the end of 2023, with the support of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation, the Institute of Medical Education of the university received a state assignment on the topic "Study of medical and social risk factors for the development and progression of major socially significant diseases", which will add impetus to local projects studying these problems. In the 2023-2024 academic year, we graduate 268 students enrolled in higher education programs, 148 students in secondary vocational education programs and 128 residents studying in 19 medical, 4 dental and 1 pharmaceutical specialties. Regional medical institutions will be replenished with highly professional doctors who will reduce personnel shortages in this area. In May of this year, NovSU, together with Petrozavodsk State University, received permission to open a joint Dissertation Council on thesis defense for the academic degree of Candidate of Sciences, for the academic degree of Doctor of Science in specialty 3.1.18. Internal illnesses. During the same period, the university successfully passed the licensing of training highly qualified personnel for residency programs in the specialty on 31.08.20. Psychiatry. These achievements in educational and scientific activities will allow the university not only to be more attractive among applicants - undergraduate and graduate students but will lead to more serious scientific results for researchers and university teachers engaged in research.

Progress in this area is also reflected in the "Vestnik NovSU" scientific journal: over the years of publication, the journal has published more than 650 scientific articles on the topic of medicine and healthcare; among the productive authors of the journal – employees of NovSU – members of the editorial board of our scientific journal L. G. Proshina, V. R. Weber, T. I. Okonenko and others; among the organizations that presented original research on the pages of the journal are well-known medical universities: St. Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University, Northwestern State Medical University named after I. I. Mechnikov, Pavlov First Saint Petersburg State Medical University, Institute of Experimental Medicine and others. These and other indicators confirm the high scientific level of the journal, its recognition in the professional environment and the increased interest of readers in the journal. We publish research articles with the main scientific results of dissertations for the scientific degree of Candidate and Doctor of Sciences in medical specialties:

- 3.3.1. Human anatomy (medical sciences),
- 3.3.2. Pathological anatomy (medical sciences),
- 3.3.3. Pathological physiology (medical sciences),
- 3.3.6. Pharmacology, clinical pharmacology (medical sciences),
- 3.3.8. Clinical laboratory diagnostics (medical sciences).

Thanks to an effective editorial strategy, the "Vestnik NovSU" scientific journal expands the geography of authors and reviewers, increases bibliometric and scientometric indicators and is a discussion platform for discussing promising and breakthrough issues of medicine and healthcare.

The publication of this issue coincides with the professional holiday of our authors – the Day of the Medical Worker. We sincerely thank all the specialists involved in this event f or their daily work, which allows people to become healthy! We sincerely wish you to never stop loving your profession, achieve high results and share them in research and practical activities, train young specialists who, just like you, will provide professional medical care to everyone who needs it!

We are also pleased to congratulate the scientific editor of the medical field of the journal Lidia G. Proshina, MD, Professor, Head of the Department of Human Morphology at Yaroslav-the-Wise Novgorod State University, who celebrates her anniversary in June 2024. We express our deep gratitude to Lidia Grigorievna for her selfless work in the field of science and education and a great contribution to the training of medical personnel, we wish the hero of the day good health and inexhaustible vitality, pleasant memories and happy moments spent with loved ones, colleagues and followers!

We remind our authors and readers that we are waiting for your suggestions and materials for publication in the "Vestnik NovSU" scientific journal by e-mail vestnik@novsu.ru

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