

Word from the Editor-in-Chief

Dear Readers,

eighty nine days ago, on February 24, 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine, marking a steep escalation of the Russo-Ukrainian War, which had begun in 2014. According to Reuters data sources, by today, May 23, 2022, as a result of the conflict, at least 47,000 people were killed, about 13,000 have been injured and at least 400 remain missing. The military actions forced at least 14 million Ukrainians to flee abroad, mainly women and children. Property damage in Ukraine has cost approximately 600 billion USD.

This facts must not be unnoticed and despite every other values appreciated in the world of science as international scientific journal Polish Annals of Medicine is obliged to immediately sever all contacts and cooperation with all institutions and their employees from Russia and Belarus. This is in accordance with the decision made on March 4, 2022 by the authorities of the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, Poland. This decision is directly related to the military aggression of these countries against Ukraine and is both an expression of solidarity with the Ukrainian people and a sign of condemnation of the actions of the Russian and Belarusian authorities.

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