

Letter from the Editors

This issue is dedicated to Harold M. Frost, M.D., our Honorary President of the International Society of Musculoskeletal and Neuronal Interactions, who died on June 19, 2004. Harold, the Feisty, Eccentric, Old Dinosaur (F.E.O.D.), was a great one and will be missed badly.

This issue is in two parts, the first contains a memorial to Harold and the second part is our annual issue of the proceedings of the International Sun Valley Workshop. Harold was a co-founder and the heart of these Workshops, so it is our pleasure to dedicate this issue to him.

This issue will summarize the 34th International Sun Valley Workshop on Skeletal Tissue Biology, organized and chaired by Dr. David B. Burr.

A manuscript by Ovesen et al. and a manuscript by Rittweger et al. are also included.

We are pleased to inform our readers that our Journal is now included in the PubMed / MEDLINE databases.

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It is difficult to believe Harold Frost is no longer among us. He has left his imprint on so many things around us: the way we diagnose and treat our patients, the concept of a new understanding of bone metabolism, based on the effect of the mechanical factor.

Except for his immense scientific contributions, he had a never-ending youthful energy to support and fight for issues he believed in. He was a founding member of ISMNI, believing that there was a need for the existence of a society to gather scientists of different backgrounds to promote knowledge regarding the musculoskeletal system, and its interaction with the neuronal system.

His efforts helped us reach where we are today. I, personally, as his friend, as well as those of us who knew him, miss this extraordinary pioneer and personality.

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