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Dear colleagues, followers of Clinical Pharmacy in the Slovak republic,

It is my pleasure to introduce this special supplement of ACTA FACULTATIS UNIVERSITATIS COMENIANAE. It is dedicated to associated professor Livia Magulová to honour her big contribution to Clinical Pharmacy in the Slovak Republic. Livia Magulová was one of the key people in Clinical Pharmacy in the Slovak Republic. She was the chief expert of the Ministry of Health for Clinical Pharmacy, the chairman of the Slovak Pharmaceutical Society and the Slovak Medical Association. Thanks to her open and friendly nature she was able to connect people and thus support intra- and interdisciplinal communication between professionals. Her research was primarily focused on therapeutic drug monitoring and more effective but first of all safe therapy. She was one of the editors of the monograph entitled *Drug Interactions in Clinical Practice* (in slovak).

In 1995 she initiated the establishment of SECTION OF CLINICAL PHARMACY by Slovak Medical Association. Creation of this section opened new possibilities for Clinical pharmacy, mainly in further education of pharmacists and doctors. It created the best environment for academic discussion. Based on this the symposia of clinical pharmacy were organised. The last one in April 2011 (28.4.2011 – 29.4.2011) marked the 20th anniversary Symposium of Clinical Pharmacy. Its main topic was Pharmacotherapy in Paediatrics and for the first time Livia Magulová was missing. However she managed to be there and not because it was organised by the Department of Clinical Pharmacology in Nitra Teaching Hospital, where she was working, but thanks to the discussion and presence of people from different fields. A new tradition started – the symposium will be named after Livia Magulová.

To support the idea of discussion and presentation several presenters were asked to elaborate on their topics and to publish them in this specially oriented supplement. Symbolically in a day and in a year you can read this issue which was brought forth at the XX Symposium of Clinical Pharmacy dedicated to Livia Magulová.

All of us, lucky enough to work with her, miss and remember her as an enthusiastic, hard-working and encouraging clinical pharmacist, who earned respect.

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