

Dear Colleagues,

I am sure we are all pleased as neurosurgeons that the 2014 Nobel Prize for Medicine went to scientists working on neuroscience. The prize was shared by John O'Keefe, May-Britt Moser and Edvard Moser and was given for their long-term work leading to the discovery of the "internal GPS" in the brain. They defined how we find directions and adjust our velocity in complex environments and how the brain builds a map of the space around us, and also defined specific entorhinal cortex and hippocampus cell types such as "place cells", "speed cells" and "grid cells". We can say that one more stage in understanding how the brain works has been completed with these findings. I congratulate these valuable scientists and hope that the prize opens up new possibilities for other neuroscientists. You will remember that no surgeon has won the Nobel Prize since Joseph E. Murray did so in 1990 for his work on organ transplantation. I hope that this feat is repeated in the future.

Another relevant event was the meeting of leading neuropathologists from 10 different countries to determine new criteria for CNS tumor classification at Haarlem, the Netherlands on 1-3 May, 2014. The meeting named "WHO's Next" aimed to produce a Next Steps in Brain Tumor Classification and Grading Guide. I recommend that you read the final report of the meeting in the journal *Brain Pathology*, doi: 10.1111/bpa.12171.

Dear colleagues, this is the last issue of my 1-year period as the editor of this journal. All assignments are temporary and what is important is that we do good work. I think we have succeeded in doing so by working together harmoniously and diligently with other members of the team during every step of the journal's publication. I thank you all. You are of course all free to make your own evaluation.

Farewell.

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