## **EDITORIAL**

## Assoc. Prof. Miroslav Stránský's 80th birthday

This year, Assoc. Prof. Stránský, born September 2, 1937, celebrated his 80th birthday. He graduated from the Faculty of Hygiene (now called the 3rd Faculty of Medicine) of Charles University in Prague. He started his professional career at the Regional Hygiene Station in České Budějovice. He worked there until he emigrated to Switzerland in 1968. In Switzerland, he dealt with nutritional issues as the Head of the Department of Social and Preventive Medicine of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Zurich. Between 1978 and 1988 he worked as the Head of the Nutrition Institute in Zurich, and as a nutrition counsellor at MIGROS. Between 1992 and 2012, he worked at the 3rd Faculty of Medicine of Charles University in Prague (Department of Hygiene, Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine). In 1996, he habilitated at the 3rd Faculty of Medicine of the Charles University in the field of Preventive Medicine. In 2006, he was responsible for the development of the accreditation materials for the new study field of 'Dietitian' at the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences of the University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice. He remains there to this day, and is further developing the field with his organizational skills, knowledge and enthusiasm.

Assoc. Prof. Stránský is a respected expert both in Switzerland and in the Czech Republic. He is a member of a wide range of domestic and foreign institutions (Switzerland, Germany, Austria). He is a respected and popular university professor who often publishes articles – which are both professional and popular. He has more than 110 publications to his name, and in four monographs he was the sole author.

Assoc. Prof. Miroslav Stránský is known as a social person, he is also a gifted sportsman. He has homes in Chlum u Třeboně and Zurich, Switzerland.

The management of the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences of the University of South Bohemia, as well as the students, friends and co-workers wish him many more years of health, enthusiasm and happiness.

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