## **Editorial**

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## Epileptology in Czech Republic

This supplement presents a selection of results of experimental and clinical research in epileptology in Czech Republic<sup>\*</sup>.

The tradition of clinical research was started before the Second World War by the late Professor Kamil Henner, head of Department of Neurology at the Medical School of the Charles University in Prague. He also raised two pupils – Ivan Lesný, child neurologist, and Zdeněk Servít who started not only extensive outpatient care for adult patients with epilepsy but also experimental studies. The late Professor Servít also founded a tradition of a close relationship between clinical and basic research. His original laboratory works now for more than 50 years in the Institute of Physiology, Academy of Sciences and many clinical neurologists started their professional career or spent some time being involved in experimental epileptology in this Institute. At the same time as Lesný and Servít in Prague, Karel Popek started epileptology in the second biggest university city Brno. These men attracted young people so at present clinical epileptology in Czech Republic is represented by at least four clinical departments in Prague and two in Brno. Czech chapter of International League Against Epilepsy has at present more than 200 members and meetings are organized together with Slovak chapter of ILAE each year. □

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