## EDITOR LETTER

I have a great pleasure to give into your hands the 11th volume of the monograph of "Progress on Chemistry and Application of Chitin and its Derivatives" based on the 11<sup>th</sup> Workshop of the Polish Chitin Society that was held in Karzimerz Dolny, September 2005. This time we have a two years brake in our meetings that was caused by the organisation of the Conference of European Chitin Society EUCHIS'04. These two years resulted in many important innovations in chitin fundamental science as well as in its applications. The unique properties of chitin, chitosan and their derivatives as bioactivity, biodegradation, non-toxity and biocompatibility were basis for development of several original researches in agriculture, medicine, biotechnology, environmental protection and many others. I would like to thanks all authors for their work in preparing the valuable papers that were dedicated for this volume of the monograph. I would like to thank also all reviewers for their hard work. But my special thanks are addressed to Mrs Maria Wiśniewska-Wrona M. Sc. for her valuable assistance and coordination of the editorial works.

At the end I would like to confess that it is a great honour for me to become a new President of the Polish Chitin Society and a new editor of the monograph "Progress on Chemistry and Application of Chitin and its Derivatives" after such great scientist as Prof. Henryk Struszczyk. I would like to thanks all.

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