

## Editorial

### Dear colleagues,

Our first issue in 2022 is being published literally in fire. Russian military invasion developed into shelling peaceful people in their homes and on the streets. The invaders show agonizing efforts to erase Ukraine from the geopolitical map. Bombing of nuclear power plants is an utter madness that endangers the whole continent. Altogether, this is a war crime. The population of a peaceful country with the rising sprouts of democracy became hostages of someone with immense mania of his own mission to turn the wheel of history around, according to his crazy preferences and perverse nihilistic convictions. All this happens in 21st century!

Besides the very strong measures taken by many governments, the scientific community is acting too, acting in a strong and unified way. We received a huge number of messages with your support, including the posts from some soberly thinking Russian scientists. However, a toll for the war will be high, including breakage of scientific collaboration programs, sponsorship by scientific foundations and bilateral programs containing Russia. We sincerely hope for a new Sakharov to emerge and to finally trumpet an influential voice as the person that recognizes and understands the responsibility of a scientist with respect to a potential military use of his or her research, a potential man-made nuclear disaster, civilization survival and humanitarian aspects of the modern world.

In this situation, we are doing our best to perform our pertinent scientific duties, as well as to provide other possible help to our country in order to survive in these grim circumstances. Saving Ukraine from vicious Russian horde we save Ukrainian science, which is a part of the world science!

Of the news, the founder of our journal and its Chief Editor for many years, Ihor Yukhnovskii, retires from his post and we hope that you all will join us in expressing our warmest gratitude to him for his efforts in establishing and developing our journal.

Let us gladly welcome Ihor Mryglod as a new Chief Editor of the journal. Ihor Mryglod is a member of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Dr.Sci., who has served 15 years as Director of the Institute for Condensed Matter Physics; he is a prominent specialist in the theory of phase transitions, non-equilibrium liquids and dynamical properties of matter. We wish him a fruitful work on this position.

At the start of a new, 2022, publishing year, our impact factor has risen to  $IF=1.128$ , and our citation statistics shows growth during most of the years, as indicated by the Web of Science chart shown in the figure.

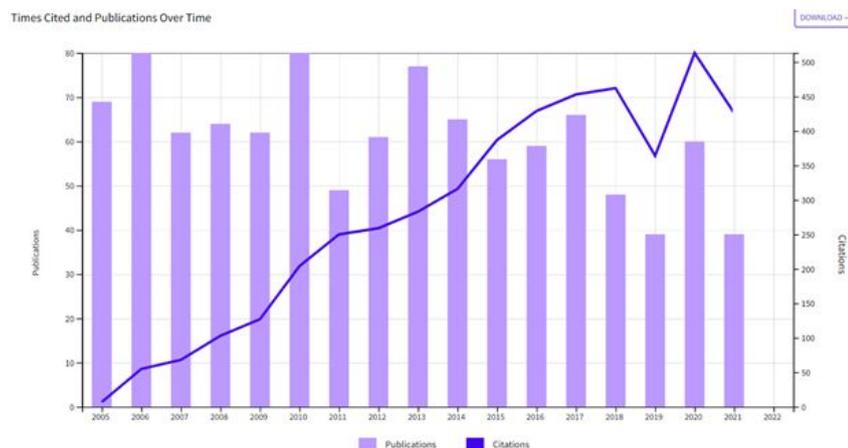


Figure 1. Condensed Matter Physics publishing and citation statistics according to the © Web of Science.

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We are very grateful to all of you: our contributors, readers, and referees, for your involvement in our joint work. We sincerely hope that our continuous collaboration ensures a high scientific level of the papers published in our journal and enables our prompt response to the new cutting edge problems in the field. We cordially invite you to submit your research either as a regular contribution, brief communication, or a review paper. Publishing is performed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International (CC-BY) license as an Open Access media with no processing fees involved. Submission is done online via the Open Journal System, which enables one to simplify the communication routine and trace the stage of the publication. More details can be found online on our webpage <http://www.icmp.lviv.ua/journal/>.

We are convinced that the universal values are not just empty words. That Truth and Democracy will win. That, in the 21st century, any invader that threatens humanity with nuclear weapons and global catastrophes will be stopped. That a new system of security measures will be established in the world, which will allow humanity to look forward with confidence and work together in order to solve the problems that humanity faces today.

Your CMP team.