Dear Readers,

he Israel dairy and poultry industries are among the finest in the world. Our journal has received many articles from the dairy industry over the years; however in this journal two prominent groups working in the field of poultry medicine have published articles of foremost importance. Dr. Irit Davidson and Dr. Shimshon has published a diagnostic article dealing with a test, which allows for the differentiation between the vaccine virus and the wild-type virus causing meningoencepthalitis in Turkeys. This is certainly of great importance and deserves mention here. Also in the field of avian virology Dr. Beny Perelman and his group have devised a novel vaccination method for protecting chickens against the reoviruses causing an "Arthritis-Tenosynovitis" condition. Besides the economic losses, the authors have also placed emphasis on the prevention of the suffering of the poultry and the harsh welfare aspects of the disease. This is certainly a commendable approach.

I highly recommend these two articles for all those dealing with poultry and their diseases and regard these two articles as exceptional innovative research. Other articles in this volume cover a wide range of species and should be of interest to our readers. The article on camels is of interest and should be studied by those veterinarians working in this field.

I look forward to more articles from our readers. Surely, we all have something to report that our fellow veterinarians will appreciate and be able to learn something from other's experiences.

The winter is just starting the first rains are on their way. Wishing all our readers a pleasant winter and reminding you to stay warm.

Best wishes to all our readers.

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