This year we celebrated the eigtieth birthday of our friend, colleague, teacher and boss, Professor Andrzej Wiktor (Fig. 1). This issue of the Folia is dedicated to him. We all wish him many happy returns and further malacological success.

Andrzej Hubert Wiktor was born the 4th of February 1931 in Nowa Wieś near Rzeszów. The son of Józef and Maria neé Łoś, he was the youngest of four children. He had two brothers: Józef (1923–2000, ichthyologist, professor at Gdańsk University) and Stanisław (1926–2007, ship-building engineer), and a sister (Krystyna Wiktor-Jacobson, artist). His father was a landowner, and the family stayed in Nowa Wieś almost till the end of World War II. Andrzej went to primary school in the nearby town of Czudec near Rzeszów and finished it during the war. In 1944 the family moved to Gorlice and after the war – to Sopot. This is why Andrzej started his secondary school education in Gorlice just after the war, but continued in Gorlice and Sopot, and then in Gdańsk-Orłowo where he passed his school-leaving exams in 1949. In the same year he started studying biology at Poznań University. At that time in Poznań it was only possible to get bachelor’s degree in biology. After obtaining his bachelor’s degree, thanks to his good results, Andrzej was offered one of the two positions to continue his studies in zoology at one of the two universities in Poland which then offered master’s courses (Wrocław and...
Wrocław). Andrzej chose Wrocław, and in 1954 passed his master’s exams and obtained his master’s degree at the Faculty of Natural Sciences. In the same year Andrzej Wiktor married Jadwiga Kwietnińska, also a biologist: zoologist. Their daughter Zofia (biologist: anthropologist) was born in 1955.

Andrzej Wiktor got his first job when he was still a student, in 1955. It was a half-time job at the Chair of Zoology, Medical University in Wrocław. Till 1958 he was assistant, senior assistant and adjunct. His main duties at the Medical University were teaching, organisation and administration, leaving virtually no time for scientific work. In that period his scientific activity was his private hobby: he conducted malacofaunistic studies on Sundays and during holidays, receiving help and advice from two of his ex-teachers – the Poznań professors and publishing his papers in the journal of the Poznań Scientific Society. After obtaining his doctoral degree, in 1962, Andrzej Wiktor moved to the Natural History Museum, Wrocław University where he worked full time till 2002. He habilitated in 1971, became professor in 1980 and ordinary professor in 1989. In 1963–2002 Andrzej Wiktor held various posts not only at the museum but also at the University (see Appendix I). In 1984 he was elected Rector Magnificus but for political reasons (the fairly recent Martial Law and the fact that Wiktor never belonged to any political organisation) the then minister of Science and Higher Education refused to confirm the choice on the ground that Wiktor as rector “does not ensure the proper socialist upbringing of the students”. Andrzej Wiktor was and still is active in various institutions and organisations also outside the University, as well as in editorial boards and committees. It is hardly possible to list all his activities, but we tried to include as many as possible in Appendix I. His achievements in many various fields earned him awards and distinctions (see Appendix I). At the Medical University and later at Wrocław University Wiktor taught parasitology, malacology and ecology. He was supervisor of three doctoral theses, and refereed numerous doctoral theses (14, 6 of them malacological), habilitation dissertations (7, 6 of them malacological) and applications for professorship (15, 6 of them malacological).

Andrzej Wiktor is a friendly person, always ready to help those who need it. Many of us often asked for his help and received it, whether the help involved advice, drying our tears, lending us money or identifying our slugs. Those of us who profited from his malacological help and advice include Ewa Stworzewicz, Tomasz Maltz, Beata Pokryszko, Heike Reise, Grita Skujiene, Tomasz Kałuski, Moysis Mylonas, Ramon Martin, Cristina Parejo and Wu Ming. The late Professor Adolf Riedel – the zonitid specialist – was for many years Wiktor’s very good friend. The two professors collected materials for each other during their numerous travels. Andrzej Wiktor is a very good and reliable companion in the field, with a great sense of humour and a story teller’s talent; he communicates very well with pets and small children.

Wiktor’s wife Jadwiga died in 1997; in 2002 he married Hanna Mizgajksa. His second wife is yet another biologist in the family. Andrzej Wiktor has three grandchildren: Pawel, Anna and Zofia, great-granddaughter Julia, and lives partly in Wrocław and partly in Poznań which is the home town of his second wife. Since his retirement in 2002 Wiktor has continued his malacological work as a volunteer at the same museum. His hobbies are slugs and travel, especially hiking, literature: fact, travel, biographies and history.

Wiktor’s publication list is given below (Appendix II), but we feel justified in saying a few words about his scientific interests and achievements. From the very start Wiktor was interested in zoology and more specifically – in terrestrial gastropods. He himself regards two professors from Poznań University as his mentors: Professor Jan Rafalski and Professor Jaroslav Urbaník. Initially he dealt will all terrestrial gastropods, especially those of Poland, from faunistic and zoogeographical point of view. This stage in his scientific career included the period till his doctorate. Later he started studying slugs, first in Poland and then worldwide. The beginnings were difficult because there was no specialist in the group in the country (there were only five such specialists in the world then, all beginners). Till now, during the 45 years, he has accumulated the most abundant and species-rich collection of slugs; he described, alone or with co-authors, about 60 new species, and also some new genera, subfamilies and a family. He collected in the field in Poland, Bulgaria, ex-Yugoslavia, Greece, Spain, Italy, Tajikistan, Papua-New Guinea and China. He revised taxonomy as well as data on world-wide/whole-distribution of slug families Milacidae, Parmacellidae, Anadenidae, Agriolimacidae. The slug papers deal with systematics, morphology, ecology, biogeography and phylogeny. He published more than 100 original articles and monographs including 11 books or book chapters. Nearly all of them were published in English or German, some in Polish or Russian, in Polish, German, Dutch, English, Belgian, Russian, Hungarian and American journals. Most of them are richly illustrated by the author who is a very good artist.

His main scientific achievements include: proposing a new, original system of slug classification (in co-authorship with I. M. Likharev), studying and applying the structure of pallial complex in phylogenetic studies (with I. M. Likharev), demonstrating parallel evolution of slugs (with I. M. Likharev), demonstrating the role of spermatophores in Milacidae as hybridisation barrier, preparing monographs of Milacidae, Parmacellidae, Anadenidae, Agriolimacidae, as well as the first monographs of slugs of Poland, Bul-
garia, ex-Yugoslavia, Greece, Pakistan, China, ex-USSR and its adjacent countries (some with co-authors), description of new family Papillodermitae and ca. 60 new slug species (see Appendix III), synonymisation of several dozen names, analysis of endemism of Balkan slugs, a series of papers on malacofauna of Lower Silesia, accumulating the greatest and species-richest slug collection in the world (at the Natural History Museum in Wroclaw). From the point of view of other malacologists, especially those dealing with the terrestrial malacofauna of Poland, Wiktor’s great achievement is the guide to terrestrial gastropods of Poland, published in 2004 and the first since the publication of Urbański’s guide in 1957.

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APPENDIX I. A. WIKTOR’S ACTIVITY IN ORGANISATION OF SCIENCE AND EDUCATION, EDITORIAL BOARDS, SOCIETIES, AND HIS AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

1. University
1963–2002: Head of the Invertebrate Department of the Museum of Natural History
1972–1975: Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Natural Sciences
1980–2002: Director of the Museum of Natural History

2. Organisation of science and education
1981–1984: member of the Main Council for Science and Higher Education
1989–1994: vice-president of the Main Council of National Education
Many years till 1999: member of the Board of the Institute of Systematics and Evolution of Animals, Polish Academy of Sciences
For more than 20 years: member of the Committee of Zoology, Polish Academy of Sciences
Last 15 years: member of the board of the Museum and Institute of Zoology, Polish Academy of Sciences; its vice-president during eight years
Member and representative of Poland in the Union for Conservation of Natural Resources (Malacological Section) during one term

3. Societies
Since 1980: member of the Wroclaw Scientific Society 1983–1989: member of the Social Committee for Science (then illegal, not approved by the communist regime)
Since 1991: member of the Association of Polish Malacologists; since 1997 its honorary member
honorary member of Die Naturforschende Gesellschaft der Oberlausitz
Since 1997: elected corresponding member of the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences, a very prestigious scientific society in Poland

4. Editorial activities – various years
Editor: Prace Zoologiczne, Acta Universitatis Wratislaviensis
President of Editorial Committee: Przegląd Zoologiczny, Fauna Polski
Member of Editorial Committee: Annales Zoologici, Fragmenta Faunistica, Malacological Review (Michigan, USA)

5. Awards and distinctions
1966: Minister’s Award of the 2nd degree
1976: team award of the Secretary of the 2nd Division of the Polish Academy of Sciences for scientific work in zoology
1981: Individual Award of the Minister for scientific achievements
1988: Individual Award of the Minister for scientific achievements
1993: Minister’s Award for the work at the Main Council of National Education
Numerous awards of the Rector of Wroclaw University for scientific achievements and teaching
APPENDIX II. A. WIKTOR – LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

1956

1958

1959

1960

1961

1963

1964

1965

1966

1968

1969

1971

1973

1974
WIKTOR A. *Boettgerilla pallens* Simroth, 1919. Informations de la Société belge de Malacologie, Série 1, No 11: 145–149.

1975

1976
WIEDER A. Arionacea ślimaki krążąkowate i ślimakowate (Gastropoda: Stylommatophora). Fauna Polski 2. PWN, Warszawa.

1977
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1992

WIKTOR A., MYLONAS M. Deroceras astypalaeensis n. sp. from the Greek island Astipalaia (Dodecanesos) (Gastropoda, Pulmonata: Agriolimacidae). Malak. Abh. 16: 1–6.


1994

WIKTOR A. Contribution to the knowledge of the slugs of Turkey (Gastropoda terrestria nuda). Arch. Moll. 123: 1–47.


1995


WIKTOR A., MILANI N. Contribution to the knowledge of two scarcely known Alpine slugs, Tandonia simrothi (Hesse, 1923) and Deroceras planarioides (Stimroth, 1910) (Gastropoda: Pulmonata: Arionidae, Agriolimacidae). Malak. Abh. 17: 151–160.

1996


WIKTOR A. Regionalizacja slimaków nagich na Balkanach. XII Krajowe Seminarium Malakologiczne w Łodzi, Abstrakty. UŁ Łódź: 38.


1997

WIKTOR A. Endemism of slugs within the Balkan Peninsula and adjacent islands (Gastropoda: Pulmonata: Arionidae, Milacidae, Limacidae, Agriolimacidae). Genus 8: 205–221.


1998


1999


2000


2001


WIKTOR A. Slimaki nagie Turcji. XVII Krajowe Seminarium Malakologiczne w Ojcowie, Abstrakty. ISEZ PAN, Kraków: 46.


2002


2003

APPENDIX III. TAXA DESCRIBED BY A. WIKTOR OR A. WIKTOR WITH CO-AUTHORS

I. Slugs

Species:

- *Anadenus ganggashanensis* Wiktor, Chen De-Niu et Wu Ming, 2000
- *Anadenus nepalensis* Wiktor, 2001
- *Anadenus parvipes* Wiktor, Chen De-Niu et Wu Ming, 2000
- *Anadenus yangtzeensis* Wiktor, Chen De-Niu et Wu Ming, 2000
- *Arion paularensis* Wiktor et Parejo, 1989
- *Boettgerilla vermiformis* Wiktor, 1959
- *Candaharia izatullaevi* Likharev et Wiktor, 1980
- *Deroceras adolphi* Wiktor, 1998
- *Deroceras astypalaensis* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1992
- *Deroceras bistimulatum* Wiktor, 2000
- *Deroceras boettgericum* Wiktor, 1984
- *Deroceras cycladicum* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
- *Deroceras gavdosensis* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
- *Deroceras giustianum* Wiktor, 1998
- *Deroceras gorgonium* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
- *Deroceras hispaniensis* Wiktor et Castillejo, 1983
- *Deroceras karnaniensis* Wiktor, 1984
- *Deroceras kythirensis* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
- *Deroceras lasithionensis lasithionensis* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
- *Deroceras maaseni* Wiktor, 1996
- *Deroceras malkini* Wiktor, 1984
- *Deroceras melinum* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
- *Deroceras minoicum* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
- *Deroceras parium* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
- *Deroceras pannosus* Wiktor, 1984
- *Deroceras praecox* Wiktor, 1966
- *Deroceras pseudopanormitanum* Wiktor, 1984
- *Deroceras riedelianum* Wiktor, 1983
- *Deroceras seriphium* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
- *Deroceras trabzonensis* Wiktor, 1994
- *Deroceras (Krynickillus) urbanskii* Wiktor, 1971
- *Furcopenis darioi* Castillejo et Wiktor, 1983
- *Furcopenis galleaciensis* Castillejo et Wiktor, 1983
- *Furcopenis malagensis* Wiktor et Norris, 1991

*Deroceras karnaniensis* Wiktor, 1984
*Deroceras kythirensis* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
*Deroceras lasithionensis lasithionensis* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
*Deroceras maaseni* Wiktor, 1996
*Deroceras melinum* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
*Deroceras minoicum* Wiktor, Vardinoyannis et Mylonas, 1994
*Deroceras parium* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
*Deroceras pannosus* Wiktor, 1984
*Deroceras praecox* Wiktor, 1966
*Deroceras pseudopanormitanum* Wiktor, 1984
*Deroceras riedelianum* Wiktor, 1983
*Deroceras seriphium* Wiktor et Mylonas, 1981
*Deroceras trabzonensis* Wiktor, 1994
*Deroceras (Krynickillus) urbanskii* Wiktor, 1971
*Furcopenis darioi* Castillejo et Wiktor, 1983
*Furcopenis galleaciensis* Castillejo et Wiktor, 1983
*Furcopenis malagensis* Wiktor et Norris, 1991
**Lehmannia szigethyae** Wiktor, 1975

**Limax seticus** Wiktor et Bössneck, 2004

**Milax aegeicus** Wiktor et Mylonas, 1986

**Milax monstruosus** Wiktor, 1986

**Milax parvulus** Wiktor, 1968

**Milax pinteri** Wiktor, 1975

**Milax riedeli** Wiktor, 1968

**Milax verrucosus** Wiktor, 1989

**Papilloderma altonagai** Wiktor, Martin et Castillejo, 1990

**Tandonia bosnensis** Wiktor, 1986

**Tandonia melanica** Wiktor, 1986

**Tandonia piriniana** Wiktor, 1975

**Tandonia rara** Wiktor, 1996

**Tandonia totevi** Wiktor, 1975

**Turcomilax olti** Wiktor, Naggs et Gupta, 1999

**Turcomilax tzvetkovi** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Higher taxa:**

**Subgenera:**

**Furcopenis** Castillejo et Wiktor, 1983

**Levanderia** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Michaelisia** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Plathystimulus** Wiktor, 1973

**Taulimax** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Genera:**

**Caucasolimax** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Papillodermatidae** Wiktor, Martin et Castillejo, 1990

**Subfamilies:**

**Bielziinae** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Eulimacinae** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Selenochlamydinae** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Families:**

**Boettgerillidae** Likharev et Wiktor, 1980

**Papillodermidae** Wiktor, Martin et Castillejo, 1990

[correct: Papillodermatidae]

**II. Snails and semi-slugs**

**Species:**

**Cryptaustenia mirabilis** Wiktor, 2002

**Cryptaustenia saltatoria** Wiktor, 2002

**Dominamaria calvata** Wiktor, 1998

**Hydrocena spiralis** Wiktor, 1998

**Pupina bella** Wiktor, 1998

**Pupina flexuosa** Wiktor, 1998

**Pupina remota** Wiktor, 1998

**Pupina variegata** Wiktor, 1998

**Palaina bundiana** Wiktor, 1998

**APPENDIX IV. TAXA DEDICATED TO A. WIKTOR**

**Gastropods:**

**Arion wiktori** Parejo et Martin, 1990

**Daudebardia wiktori** Riedel, 1967

**Deroceras wiktori** Grossu, 1969

**Malacolimax wiktori** Alonso et Ibanez, 1989

**Oxychilus wiktori** Riedel, 1997

**Non-gastropods:**

**Piscicola wiktori** Bielecki, 1997