

Editorial

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Dear Readers,

I am honored to have been appointed by the FADOI National Committee to act as Editor-in-Chief of the *Italian Journal of Medicine* (IJM).

Let me thank them for having trusted me.

In the last few years the journal has been conducted by Roberto Nardi to whom all my appreciation is given.

His work has to be greatly acknowledged because he managed to bring the IJM to the international arena, making it appreciated not only in terms of readings but also of submissions.

My main purpose is to continue in this direction trying to make this appreciation even greater.

I am convinced that one of the most crucial needs for the internist is continuous education and update. The Journal has to function as a tool for achieving that, but at the same time it has to be an instrument for communicating to the scientific community the most recent advances in the research field.

For this reason I encourage you to submit to the IJM the fruits of your work. Clinical and basic research, topics related to organization or future developments and role of internal medicine are warmly welcome.

This is in tune with the mission of our scientific society that envisages two cornerstones: education and research.

In undertaking this task a new panel of associate editors has been selected. I have deliberately chosen a few field experts, all closely related to FADOI that will be asked to collaborate closely with the Editor-in-Chief. They are all well known for their knowledge in the different areas that we have identified as having pre-eminent interest for the Journal. They are also recognized for their loyalty and strong will to work for the scientific society and for the journal.

Their help will be crucial and I thank them in advance for the precious contribution they will give.

I am taking this new assignment with proud but also with humbleness, hoping to be able to serve in the best possible way.

I hope this may lead to an even greater success and diffusion of the IJM both at national and international level.

Faithfully,

Giorgio Vescovo Editor-in-Chief

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