

## Letter from the new Editors

From this issue of European Annals of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, Riccardo Asero steps down as Editor in Chief of the journal after five years of outstanding work. The editorial board and the new co-editors in chief all thank him for having placed European Annals of Allergy and Clinical Immunology among the most influential journals in the field of allergy and clinical immunology.

Readers' number has increased and metrics have improved over the years, with the support of the AAIITO (Associazione Allergologi Immunologi Italiani Territoriale e Ospedalieri) and SPA-IC (Sociedade Portuguesa de Alergologia e Imunologia Clínica) as well as of the editorial board and staff. Practical approach has become a peculiarity of original papers, case reports and reviews published in the journal and therefore very much appreciated by clinicians and clinical researchers. Young as well as established scientists have increasingly considered European Annals of Allergy and Clinical Immunology for submitting their manuscripts and clinicians for sharing their case reports and clinical expertise.

Due to these reasons, citations have increased steadily and the journal is now in the Web of Science database and its ESCI

(Emerging Sources Citation Index) will be under evaluation by Thomson Reuters in the next two years, the last step of the process leading to the Impact Factor. Also the SJR index trend confirms the impressive work done in the past five years (see Table 1). As new co-editors in chief, our first goal is to continue Riccardo Asero's work, consolidating the reputation of the journal and improving its impact on the community of allergy and clinical immunology specialists.

We strongly believe in the unique feature of the journal, which in turn represents that of the scientific societies supporting it: a clinical and practical approach based on a sound scientific background. We therefore welcome old and new Authors to share their results and ideas with the colleagues through the pages of European Annals of Allergy and Clinical Immunology.

We are committed to making speedy decisions, to providing authors with high quality reviews and readers with an essential tool for both their daily practice and continuous education. We look forward to your contribution!

**Table 1** - Scientific influence and impact of an average article published on some allergy journals (2015 data)

Journal	SJR
The Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology	5.513
Allergy	3.048
Clinical and Experimental Allergy	2.184
Annals of Allergy Asthma and Immunology	1.268
International Archives of Allergy and Immunology	1.164
Allergy and Asthma Proceedings	0.798
Asian Pacific Journal of Allergy and Immunology	0.560
Journal of Investigational Allergology and Clinical Immunology	0.552
<b>European Annals of Allergy and Clinical Immunology</b>	0.346 (0.106 in 2011)
Clinical and Experimental Allergy Reviews	0,291
Allergo Journal	0,183
European Journal of Inflammation	0,167
Japanese journal of clinical immunology	0,138
Revue Francaise d'Allergologie	0,136
Clinical and Translational Allergy	0,119
Revista Portuguesa de Imunoalergologia	0,112
Italian Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology	0,103
Review of Allergy and Clinical Immunology	0,101
Annali Italiani di Dermatologia Allergologica Clinica e Sperimentale	0,100