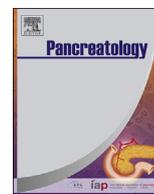




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## Passing the Baton

With the ushering in of the new year *Pancreatology* will have a new editorial team lead by Editors-in-Chief Suresh T Chari, MD of the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN USA, Miklos Sahin-Toth, Boston University, Boston, MA, USA and Vice Editor-in-Chief Kyoichi Takaori, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan. The new leadership wishes all our readers a very happy, bright and productive new year!

At the outset we would like to express our heartfelt thanks to outgoing Editor-in-Chief, Prof Minoti Apte, The University of New South Wales, Australia and her dedicated team of Associate Editors. They have been at the helm of the Journal for over 8 years and have provided yeoman service to *Pancreatology* and the International Association of Pancreatology. Thank you!

For the first time the Journal has two Editors-in-Chief, a Clinician with an interest in neoplastic lesions (STC) and a Basic Scientist with an interest in pancreatitis (MST). The team is very well complemented by an accomplished pancreatic surgeon (KT). Our team of Senior Associate Editors and Editorial Board members will have a strong representation in all aspects of pancreatic diseases. The goal this team is to provide the best critique for articles submitted to *Pancreatology* and choose the highest quality manuscripts for publication. Our priority is to invite the following types of manuscripts:

1. International consensus documents that provide critical and topical guidance on diagnosis and management of pancreatic diseases.
2. Just-in-time reviews on important topics by thought leaders in the field, both clinical and basic.
3. Original articles that provide novel and definitive insights.
4. Thoughtful invited Editorials to complement these original articles.
5. Rigorously obtained preliminary novel observations that warrant definitive validation.
6. Definitive confirmatory studies of previously published work.

We urge our readers to submit their best work to *Pancreatology*. We promise an efficient and fair review of their work. For this we wish to thank in advance our reviewers for a prompt response to our requests!

We look forward to working with you in the New Year. Please wish the team the very best in their efforts. Sincerely  
*Pancreatology* Editorial Team.