EDITORIAL

Updates from the Editors

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The recent growth of *Hormones and Cancer* has been most gratifying. The journal has allowed us to engage with researchers worldwide that have a common interest in the field, have the opportunity to see and review their latest work, and make the most exciting new findings rapidly available to our growing readership. This has been not only interesting but highly rewarding work as the input of our readers, authors and reviewers tell us that we're providing a much needed and valued service.

Our Aims and Scope statement is indicative of our dedication to providing an inclusive and non-traditional approach to the oncology literature. Namely, we are very committed to publishing basic, clinical and translational research findings of the highest calibre to highlight new advances in the field of hormones and cancer. To achieve that goal, we have expanded our scope to capture the full spectrum of cancers that are influenced, directly or indirectly, by hormone action. We are cognizant of the rapid growth in seemingly unrelated fields, both basic and clinical, and embrace them when needed to support our goal of providing a high quality, innovative forum to facilitate a better understanding of hormone action and its role in all facets of carcinogenesis. We encourage you to familiarize yourself with our newly updated Aims and Scope statement, which can be found at http:// www.springer.com/medicine/oncology/journal/12672, and consider submitting your research for publication in Hormones and Cancer.

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Our perspective is a global one. A quick look at our editorial board shows our dedication to providing a forum for researchers from all parts of the world. By embracing this approach and with the advantages offered by electronic communication and publication, we believe that researchers will be able to more easily disseminate their novel research findings and facilitate new collaborations without geographical limitations.

There are certain characteristics of the publication process that every researcher needs, no matter his or her location or status: for example, the need for rapid review and speedy, economical publication of their research. In this respect, *Hormones and Cancer* ex-

cels, with a guarantee of rapid review and publication, and no page limit or page charges. Although these considerations are not necessarily the most important ones when considering a venue for publication, the combination of speed and economy coupled with a highly relevant audience to communicate their research findings provides our authors with many benefits and fewer worries.

We encourage you to give us feedback on the journal and to make it your home. Together we can ensure that *Hormones and Cancer* continues to mature as a highly regarded journal that imparts a significant impact in the field. We look forward to your involvement.

