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Dear Reader,

As we approach the end of 2016, and publish our final issue of *Drugs* for the year, I wish to reflect on another successful year for the journal and to thank all who have contributed to *Drugs* over the past 12 months.

Drugs is now in its 46th year of publication with a current 2015 impact factor of 4.883 (an increase of 12% on 2014). AdisInsight Reports continue to be published for all first approvals of new chemical entities, and data show that they have maintained good usage and excellent citation statistics. As I write this letter at the end of October, a total of 11 articles have been downloaded over 1000 times already this year. These articles covered topics such as SGLT2 (sodium glucose co-transporter type 2) inhibitors in type 2 diabetes, new developments in non-alcoholic steatohepatitis, cancer treatment with anti-programmed death (PD)-1/PD ligand 1 (L1) agents, τ -directed therapeutics for Alzheimer's disease, and comprehensive reviews of much-needed new antimicrobial agents.

The majority of our other journals saw a rise in impact factor against the previous year. Most notably, four more of our journals also saw an increase of over 10%—*The Patient* (17%), *Clinical Drug Investigation* (16%), the *American Journal of Clinical Dermatology* (13%) and *Drug Safety* (13%).

An important milestone was reached for our recently launched open access journals, *Drug Safety—Case Reports* and *Drugs—Real World Outcomes*. Content from these journals is now available on PubMed Central.

The Adis journals portfolio will expand in 2017, with the launch of *PharmacoEconomics—Open*. This new journal will be fully open access and will focus on the publication of applied research on the economic implications and health outcomes associated with drugs, devices and other healthcare interventions. It joins our other well-respected health outcomes publications, *PharmacoEconomics*, *Applied Health Economics and Health Policy* and *The Patient: Patient-Centered Outcomes Research*.

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I hope that you have found the articles published throughout 2016 to be both interesting and informative. The Editors and I have appreciated the high quality of content contributed to the journal this year and we look forward to keeping you up to date with topical issues in the field of clinical drug treatment in 2017.

With best wishes
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