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Dear Colleagues:

As we get closer to the end of 2023, and given that, effective August 1, our journal switched to Open Access without changing the peer review process for submitted papers, I would like to provide some clarifications with respect to publication fees and charges.

To begin with, authors of all papers accepted after August 1, 2023, and submitted to the journal before August 1, 2023, will receive instructions on how to obtain a waiver. Thus, if you submitted a paper before August 1, and your paper was / has been accepted, please do read these instructions carefully.

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We are here to serve you, review and publish your contributions. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need clarifications. I work very closely with our Executive Editor, Ms. Nathalie Jacobs, and if I cannot answer your questions, she certainly will!

In the meantime, enjoy the issue.

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