Editorial

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Welcome to the first issue of Artery Research. The past few years have seen much progress in terms of research into arterial structure and physiology. The number of publications in this field has risen steadily with novel and important results being reported in a variety of high impact factor journals spanning many different disciplines including hypertension, cardiology, clinical pharmacology and epidemiology. Artery Research is the official journal of The Association for Research into Arterial Structure and Physiology ARTERY and as such I hope will be viewed as the natural home for publication of studies in this field. We intend to publish a mixture of invited reviews from leading experts, original research articles, book reviews and up to date information on conferences relevant to our readers. In this first issue we include a summary of the recent consensus statement on arterial stiffness from The European Network for Non Invasive Investigation of Large Arteries lead by Stephane Laurent. Research into arterial stiffness is moving rapidly and the editorial board welcome your feedback so that we can constantly improve the journal and its content.

The second issue of the journal will be published later in the year to coincide with the ARTERY 7 meeting to be held in Prague and will contain the abstracts from this meeting. In addition, this issue will also publish extended reviews by the Keynote speakers at ARTERY 7 which we hope you will find interesting and informative.

Establishment of a new journal is never easy but it is also an exciting time and I hope that you will support the journal over this initial period by sending us your original research as well as reviews in your area of expertise. We also invite you to comment on our published papers through our correspondence section.

Over the coming years the editorial board are fully committed to making Artery Research one of the leading journals in the field of arterial structure and physiology. A bold ambition but with your support an achievable one.

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