A warm welcome to Cardiology Discovery

Although it is well established that cardiovascular diseases represent the major cause of mortality and hospitalization across the world, it is similarly clear that the prevalence of individual cardiovascular risk factors as well as the prevalence of specific cardiovascular diseases and the organization of health systems differ in different geographical regions. Thus, while the main mission of a scientific journal is reducing the global burden of cardiovascular diseases, this mission is better fulfilled if adapted to regional specificities.

On these premises, I would like to give a warm welcome to Cardiology Discovery, the official journal of the Chinese Society of Cardiology. I am sure that this new journal will inspire practicing cardiologists and will attract top scientists with a specific focus on cardiovascular diseases in China and Asia at large.

I sincerely hope that Cardiology Discovery and the European Heart Journal will have the opportunity to cooperate with joint educational initiatives and with the organization of joint sessions in the main Congresses among other things.

We face a period of enormous difficulties related to the COVID-19 pandemic, which has caused illness and mortality on a global scale. COVID-19 is forcing us to rethink our habits, has dealt a huge blow to our economies, and has cast a shadow on future plans. More than ever we should enlist our global network and inspire confidence in science: success in one region of the planet will not suffice to vanquish this scourge. Global teamwork and confidence in the scientific method can allow us to view the future of our planet with optimism. Upholding an open and transparent scientific environment will ensure the vibrancy of our global cardiovascular community and achieving the reduction of the global burden of cardiovascular disease.

I am sure that the contribution of Cardiology Discovery in this global contest will be outstanding.

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