Editorial

With this issue there are two changes in the editorial team. Dr. Ailish Han-nigan has relinquished the post of Statistical Adviser in order to concentrate on her young family. Ailish has been a member of the editorial team since 2002 and during that time has provided highly skilled advice on statistical aspects of numerous manuscripts: advice that has been invaluable in guiding editorial decisions. We are grateful for all the assistance that Ailish has provided to *Caries Research* and wish her well.

Ailish is replaced as Statistical Adviser by Dr. Eric Huntington, whose area of special expertise is the design and analysis of clinical trials. In addition, the editorial team is reinforced by the appointment of Dr. Jan Clarkson as Associate Editor. Jan has a wide-ranging experience in dental research, especially in clinical trials and public health, and has been involved with several Cochrane reviews. The editorial team recognises the need for the highest standards in the design, conduct and reporting of clinical trials and we believe that our new appointments will ensure that we meet these standards in the future.

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