Editorial

It is our great pleasure to announce that EuroLam and S. Karger Publishers have signed an agreement for *Ophthalmic Research* to become the official scientific journal of the EuroLam. The affiliation with this international association will bring the journal a wider range of readers and spread the brand especially in the Spanish-speaking scientific community.

When reading this editorial in the print edition, you will hold in your hands a newly designed journal which makes the changes 2012 will bring visible. But not only the design has been transformed, we have also adjusted the subtitle to *Journal for Translational and Clinical Research* which reflects what we have in mind for the future of *Ophthalmic Research*, namely to publish more articles discussing translational and clinical research topics. In addition, authors will be invited to submit minireviews to provide a concise update of a particular field in ophthalmology.

The new structure of the editorship will also be a fitting occasion for changes in the workflow. The Editors will directly supervise all incoming submissions and the review process, a task that has been supported so far by our Section Editors. This step will further decrease the time from submission to online publication of your articles. At this point, it is our greatest concern to thank the Section Editors who have committed themselves in the last years to help improve the reputation of *Ophthalmic Research* for their excellent contribution and expertise. Our sincere thanks also go to the reviewers. Without their valuable time and effort *Ophthalmic Research* would not have been the expert journal it always was.

The many adjustments will further reflect in the Editorial Board which will see changes in the near future. We certainly hope that we can gain many more renowned experts to contribute to a successful new *Ophthalmic Research*.

Last but not least, what would a journal be without its readers? We would like to thank you for your interest in *Ophthalmic Research* and be assured that we will all give our best that the new journal will meet your requirements even better.

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