To our Readers

We at *Human Heredity* have been working diligently over the past several months to streamline our review process. Our median time from submission to first editorial decision is now less than 1 month. Moreover, we have reduced the median time from acceptance to actual publication to less than 6 months and are continuing to reduce that further.

Our impact factor for 2000 (the most recent year for which the factor is known), is 1.8, a score that compares most favorably with other peer-reviewed journals in our field.

We therefore invite all researchers performing research in statistical genetics, genetic epidemiology, and other genetics-related fields, to submit their original research to *Human Heredity*. Authors of such research can expect timely responses from the *Human Heredity* editorial staff, and shorter turn-around times for those articles accepted for publication. We encourage authors to submit manuscripts electronically as attached files (e.g., in Word, postscript, or pdf-format). All reviews and communication will then be done by email, which further reduces turn-around time.

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