Editorial

I would like to express my gratitude to the authors and readers of *Skin Pharmacology and Physiology* for their continued interest in our journal.

Furthermore, my warmest thanks go to the associate editors, board members and reviewers for their excellent work in the past years. This work is vital for the quality of our journal. We are in an extremely fortunate position, because we continue to receive many more manuscripts than we are able to accept. We are pleased to announce that the impact factor of our journal went up yet again last year.

At the beginning of 2004, the journal of *Skin Pharmacology and Physiology* became the publishing organ of the International Society of Skin Pharmacology and Physiology (ISP). The board of the ISP is delighted at the high rate of acceptance allotted to the society during the first months of its founding.

The First Annual General Meeting of the ISP will be held together with the Meeting of the Society of Cutaneous Ultra-Structure Research (SCUR) in Hamburg on June 2–5, 2005, and we look forward to welcoming you there.

In closing, I would like to mention that the Board of the Journal has been newly organized. We are happy to welcome new members and we would like to heartily thank those members who are now no longer serving as board members for their longstanding support.

I wish you a happy, successful and peaceful New Year.

With very best regards,

Jürgen Lademann, Berlin