The Voice of *Pulmonary Circulation*

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When *Pulmonary Circulation* was first launched in 2011, no one knew what to expect. A journal focused exclusively on research around the pulmonary circulation and pulmonary vascular disease? Are there enough people interested to sustain the journal's readership? Who will submit to yet another new, unknown medical journal? And how will we establish and differentiate ourselves from the other journals in the field?

After three years, and after more than 350 submissions, more than 200 published articles, and more than 57,000 PDF article downloads, *Pulmonary Circulation* has proven its ability to capture some of the best original research articles and comprehensive reviews in the field. The voice of the journal is made up of a diverse group of both new and established board members ranging from clinicians to physician scientists to investigators; it is heard in the authors from more than 35 different countries across the globe; and it is seen in the various types of articles we publish. Our goal was that *Pulmonary Circulation* would become *the* valued journal in the field. We believe that we are well on the way to achieving this.

In order to maintain and exceed this goal, we recently had to make several changes to the production of the journal. Our biggest, and most valued, change is our new publisher. We are very excited to formally introduce our readers to the University of Chicago Press (UCP). With this change in publisher, we expect to see enhanced visibility for the journal, improved visual quality of articles published, and most importantly, a heightened efficiency of publication. UCP has been around for more than 100 years and publishes around 50 journals every year. They have recently established a medical journals division within the Press, which we are honored to join. The Press offers many new features to both its readers and its authors, including prompt ahead-of-print publication and a just-

accepted link where new articles will be posted online, unedited, within 3 days of acceptance.

Next, we have decided to go digital. We have seen over the past few years that, overwhelmingly, readers were accessing our articles online and not in print. In an effort to increase efficiency, we decided to make the journal available online only, with the option for readers to request any print-on-demand issue they may be interested in receiving. In addition, UCP offers an e-book format of the journal, which can be downloaded to all versions of e-readers and iPads, smart phones, and iPhones.

Again, we look to you, our readers and contributors, to help sustain the journal and take us to the next level. We eagerly await the announcement of our impact factor, which will be another major step for us. Please submit to us your most novel and significant original research articles in basic, translational, clinical, and population health research; your most comprehensive review articles on scientifically impactful and clinically relevant topics related to the pulmonary circulation and pulmonary vascular disease; your highly novel (and rare) case reports; and your rapid communications/research reports on novel findings. We also continue to be interested in considering the publication of high-quality conference abstracts of selected scientific conferences in the pulmonary circulation field.

We are grateful to all who support the journal—members of the Pulmonary Vascular Research Institute, editorial board members, authors, reviewers, and readers—for helping establish our unique voice within the world of medical publishing.

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