

A Message from Editor-in-Chief

Welcome to the inaugural issue of Gastroenterology Research, a peer-reviewed, open access, international journal. After a long period of gestation, the Gastroenterology Research is now on the track of publishing. We are very proud of the results. My immediate thankfulness goes out to my co-editors and editorial board members.

We are proud to present our distinguished Editorial Board consisting of experts from the Gastroenterology basic and clinical research communities worldwide. Undoubtedly, Gastroenterology is a constantly evolving field, this journal is devoted to publishing articles pertaining in the broad context to gastroenterology and hepatology. Our aim is that the journal will be the pre-eminent repository of knowledge and platform for the basic and clinical research of gastroenterology science. The scope of this journal, therefore, covers the basic and clinical investigations surrounding gastroenterology-hepatology, pancreas, and biliary, alimentary metabolism, nutrition, oncology, and the related fields. The peer review process will match knowledgeable reviewers with submitted manuscripts to produce high quality articles of interest and scientific merit.

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I look forward to a most interesting future for Gastroenterology Research. I thank our editorial board and our contributors and readers for their interest and efforts in advancing this goal. As you authors, editors and audience, I sincerely invite your comments, suggestions and criticisms.

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