



Dear Readers,

This is a great pleasure to announce, that Advances in Respiratory Medicine has been recently approved for Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI). This database was created in 2015 within Clarivate Analytics' (formerly Thomson Reuters') Web of Science. The selection process for ESCI is the first step in applying to the Scientific Citation Index. According to the database description "journals accepted for coverage in ESCI must be peer reviewed, follow ethical publishing practices, meet technical requirements, have English language bibliographic information". All these requirements have been met by ARM. We believe, it is a next step in the entire process, that have been initiated and consequently implemented by the Editorial Team some time ago, with great help from our Publisher. The final aim for The Journal is to enlist into Journal Citation Reports, meaning receive impact factor.

The advantages of indexing in ESCI for ARM are obvious. ARM is now achievable from Web of Science Core Collection platform database, so full citation counts and authors' information may be obtained easily. Our visibility will significantly increase. Consequently, our authors will also gain a lot. In fact the benefits are mutual, as citations from ARM will now be included in the citation counts for the Journal Citation Reports, contributing also to the Impact Factors of other journals.

However, we still have a lot of work to do. The most important task is to further increase the inflow of good quality articles, especially original research papers, which have a citation potential. I would like to warmly welcome our Readers and Authors to send their work to ARM.

Strong, truly international Editorial Scientific Board is vitally important for the journal success. Therefore it is a great pleasure to welcome Professor Martina Vašáková from Thomayer Hospital, Prague. Professor Vašáková is an internationally recognized specialist in interstitial lung diseases, funder and leader of EMPIRE IPF Registry.

With all these good news, I would like to wish a Happy New Year to all Authors, Editorial Board Members, Reviewers and other contributors!

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