EDITORIAL

So long, farewell, auf wiedershen, adieu—Au revoir to our beloved journal

Two years ago, the journal bestowed its warmest welcome to me and today I have to say my hardest goodbye to her. My term as Associate Editor of the journal, albeit short, is fueled with a cauldron of pressure, pride, and pleasure. Being a young editor, the pressure stems from the obligation to uphold the standard of the journal, which serves to promote local research. To manage a journal which targets local investigations is no easy task, especially in this era in which the research atmosphere is so vibrant and with ample choices for submission. It takes considerable effort from the editors and support from the local nephrology circle to sustain publication of the journal. The pride in serving as Editor comes from the inheritance of a treasure from my predecessors, who are all respected clinicians and researchers in the territory. We are also proud that our local investigators are active in research and have submitted robust works on various aspects of nephrology. The pleasure of being an Editor is derived from witnessing and showcasing the research works produced by the local nephrology circle. In this context, it is a driving tenet to select works for publication in the journal which would reflect local practices and benefit patients in Hong Kong, while safeguarding the quality of the journal. As a researcher, I also grew from serving the journal as I learnt to view manuscripts from an Editor’s perspective. I must thank my fellow Editors and seniors, who have been the lighthouse on my voyage to become an Editor. Gratitude should also be extended to our fellow colleagues for their unfailing support to serve as reviewers of manuscripts. My heartfelt appreciation also goes to all those who have submitted their manuscripts to the journal, that enabled us to have a chance to review and learn from their works. Taken together, my experience as an Editor of the journal is unique and will certainly add to my fond memories when I look back in reminiscence on my life. “Adieu, I have too grieved a heart to take a tedious leave!”

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