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EDITORIAL

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You have just received the very first issue of your *Journal* "*Archives of Cardiovascular Diseases*".

This *Journal* follows the centenary tradition of *Archives des Maladies du Cœur et des Vaisseaux*, since it is the official *Journal* of the French Society of Cardiology.

The French Society of Cardiology aims to give French cardiologists an international journal with a strong notoriety and broad distribution.

As stated in their editorials by Jean-Claude Daubert and Nicolas Danchin, the Editorial Committee of *Archives of Cardiovascular Diseases* has been entrusted with a new mission, that of publishing a peer-reviewed *Journal*, written in English, aiming to reach an impact factor which could more accurately reflect the important role of French cardiology on the European and international conference scenes. An other aim is to offer French teams the opportunity to publish their most important works in a French journal with an international acceptance and notoriety.

Archives of Cardiovascular Diseases has been allocated substantial means by Elsevier Masson. The *Journal* will appear on the Science Direct website (<http://www.sciencedirect.com>), with article proofs available as soon as they have been accepted for publication by the Editorial Committee. Contributions will be submitted and reviewed online, and all correspondence between the authors and the Editorial Committee will take place via the journal's website (<http://ees.elsevier.com/acvd/>). This should help shorten the times of expertise and expedition of the review, acceptance and, thus publication of articles.

Every month, *Archives of Cardiovascular Diseases* will therefore publish a selection of original clinical and basic

science articles, reviews, editorials and selected images highlighting the major diagnostic and therapeutic advances in Cardiovascular diseases.

The Editorial Committee has been entrusted with a demanding but challenging mission, to which all members of the Editorial Committee are dedicated. We must succeed. We know that we can rely upon the contribution of all the French teams, on which the very success of this commitment depends. We must therefore, with your help and support, convince French clinical investigators and experts that submitting their best original papers, reviews and images to *Archives of Cardiovascular Diseases* will be of paramount importance to ensure the success of the *Journal*. By doing that, they will contribute to broadcast the excellence of French cardiology, to which we are all fully committed, on an international level.

The Editorial Committee will do its very best to ensure that these goals are achieved in each and every issue of the *Journal*.

With your support, and that of French and French-speaking cardiologists, with the dedication of the French Society of Cardiology, we will use all the means at our disposal to make *Archives of Cardiovascular Diseases* a new reference amongst international cardiovascular disease peer-reviewed journals.

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on behalf of the Editorial Committee