



New Editorial Team of *Circulation Journal* (2012–2014)

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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the *Circulation Journal*, I would like to report that I have been re-appointed by the new president of the Japanese Circulation Society, Professor Ryoza Nagai, as Editor-in-Chief for 2 more years from July 2012 to June 2014. During the past 4 years, the Editorial team has made every effort to improve the scientific impact and internationalization of the Journal. To further facilitate this endeavor, I have expanded the Editorial team by including new Associate Editors from both Japan and abroad, and new Japanese Editorial Board members.

I am pleased to introduce to our readers the new Associate Editors and new International Advisory Board members from both Japan and abroad.

Name	Institute	Expertise
<Japanese Associate Editors>		
Shigeki Morita	Saga University	Cardiovascular surgery
Yutaka Otsuji	Univ. Occup. & Environ. Health	Echocardiography
Yoshihiko Saito	Nara Medical University	Hypertension, renal disease
Satoshi Yasuda	National Cerebral & CV Center	Ischemic heart disease
<Statistical Consulting Editor>		
Satoshi Miyata	Tohoku University	Medical statistics
<International Associate Editor>		
Nazzareno Galie	University of Bologna (Italy)	Pulmonary circulation
<International Advisory Board>		
Filippo Crea	Catholic Univ. Rome (Italy)	Ischemic heart disease

Furthermore, 8 new Japanese Editorial Board members have joined the Editorial team. The full list of members can be found on the front-back page.

The new Editorial team will make every effort to improve the scientific impact and internationalization of the Journal.

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