



## Message From the Editor-in-Chief

Hiroaki Shimokawa, MD, PhD

Dear Colleagues,

### 1. New Series of Cardiovascular Epidemiology in Asia

I am pleased to announce the start of a new review series on cardiovascular epidemiology in Asia. The impact of Asia, not only in population but also in economy and culture, has been increasing worldwide. Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in Asia as well. In the new series, the Journal will publish 5 review articles, regarding overviews, ischemic heart disease/stroke, heart failure, arrhythmia/sudden death, and hypertension/lifestyle disease. I hope this information will help readers update their knowledge of recent trends in cardiovascular epidemiology in Asia and its position in the world.

### 2. New Executive Editor and Editorial Board Members

I am pleased to introduce to our readers the new Executive Editor and new Editorial Board members from Japan.

Name	Institute	Expertise
<Executive Editor>		
Yasuhiko Sakata	Tohoku University	—
<Editorial Board Members>		
Yoshihiro Fukumoto	Kurume University	Pulmonary Circulation, Heart Failure
Tohru Minamino	Niigata University	Vascular Biology, Ischemic Heart Disease
Mitsuru Ohishi	Kagoshima University	Hypertension, Circulatory Control
Wataru Shimizu	Nippon Medical School Hospital	Arrhythmia
Hiroshi Tada	University of Fukui	Arrhythmia, Heart Failure

The full list of members can be found on the inside front cover.

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

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