FROM THE EDITOR

Hypertension News
getting a ‘going-over’
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Dear ISH member,

It is now 15 years since we started the *ISH Hypertension News – an Electronic Newsletter* and it is time to give the newsletter a ‘going-over’. To help, we have invited Professor Tony Heagerty from Manchester, UK and Miss Charlotte Swindall from the ISH Secretariat in London to join the Editorial team. The changes will be made in three steps.

*First*, the number of pages will be reduced by about a third, leaving room for novelties. We will keep the format as before, but not all titles will appear in every issue. Most texts will also be shorter and the list of references will be considerably shorter. I will also be more reluctant to print contributions from other societies and leagues, unless we have asked for them. Needless to say, the ISH Young investigators will have their previously agreed space in the newsletter.

*Second*, we will work on the distribution figures, adding Facebook and Twitter to our usual send-out by email to ISH members (with one reminder) and National Societies. This should increase the number of members who download the full or part of the newsletter. From September 2017, each issue of Hypertension News was given an ISSN number and from this issue (March 2018) all texts will carry a unique DOI number. This means that what is published in Hypertension News can now be properly cited, which is of special importance when original data are given. It will also make it possible to download part of the newsletter, which we hope will be appreciated especially by our younger members. The references in Hypertension News will also carry DOI numbers. Our Deputy Editor, Dr. Dylan Burger, Ottawa, Canada will follow the distribution figures carefully and he will update you on the progress in coming issues of the newsletter.

*Third*, this autumn - when there will be two issues of HT News instead of one - we will gradually let Hypertension News expand again. Hence, it is not the reduction of the texts in itself which is our goal, rather making room for some novelties which we hope will be of interest to you.

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Working on Hypertension News is a time consuming pro-bono commitment and I am very grateful indeed for the help I am receiving from the members of our Editorial team (see page 18). I also want to thank our authors for their valuable contributions. Over the years, the ISH Council members (except the odd one...) have kindly contributed with their views on hypertension (under the title "Council's Corner"). On the ISH web site, you can now find a list of where these texts have been published (please click here). Several members have told me that they want to get to know the members of the ISH Council better. Reading about their views on hypertension is one way of doing that.

In the current issue, there is a report from the May Measurement Month (MMM) team on 1.2 million people that have been screened for hypertension. Since all reports in Hypertension News now carry a DOI number, the major results from MMM can’t be released until they have been published in a leading medical journal. The MMM team should be congratulated on this major undertaking which will be repeated in May 2018, hopefully with even more people screened!

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