Environmental Epigenetics, an Oxford University Press publication, just initiated its seventh year of operations with this Volume 7 Issue 1. We are a completely 100% Open Access journal listed in PMC and PubMed, along with numerous other access sites. Environmental Epigenetics initiated its review to obtain an impact factor in 2020 and hope to receive this over the next year. Special issues have occurred each year and we encourage requests for special issues in environmental epigenetics. Our Special Issue in 2020 was on Epigenetic Transgenerational Inheritance involving 21 manuscripts (https://academic.oup.com/eep/pages/special_issues). The amount and diversity of our published studies is increasing as the field of environmental epigenetics grows and expands. We are looking forward to another productive year and encourage you to consider submissions to Environmental Epigenetics.

Associate Editor

In the past, we have not had formal Associate Editors, but had several Editorial Board members take on that role when required. As Environmental Epigenetics grows, we have now decided to have official Associate Editors for the journal. Prof. Dr Isabelle Mansuy has acted as the Associate Editor on a number of occasions and facilitated two special issues. Therefore, Prof. Dr Mansuy from ETH Zurich and the University of Zurich, Switzerland, has agreed to become our first Associate Editor for Environmental Epigenetics. We look forward to her continued commitment to the journal.

Cover Art Library

Although we are a completely open access online journal, we feel the availability of cover art for each issue is important. Therefore, we accept and request cover art from contributing authors for each issue. We then publish this on the journal’s website associated with each issue and archive them in the Cover Image Library (https://academic.oup.com/eep). Examples of last year’s cover art for each issue are presented in Fig. 1. We encourage all potential authors to contribute cover art submissions with their manuscripts. As you can see this ranges from artistic photographs to specific diagrams and figures in the papers. We do not want to lose the advantages of classic print journals like cover art simply because we are an open-access journal.

Editorial Boards

The heart of the journal has always been the quality and breadth of the Environmental Epigenetics Editorial Boards. This Editorial is in part designed to extend a profound thanks to our Editorial Boards. From the beginning, the Editorial Board, Consulting Editorial Board, and Editorial Review Board have provided advice and insights into the development and operations of the journal and its review process. I personally want to thank all those Editors that have acted as managing editors and reviewers. Without the dedication, experience, and hard work of the Editorial Boards the journal would not exist. The current members of each of the Boards are listed below. You will see an outstanding group of dedicated and hardworking individuals that truly are the backbone of Environmental Epigenetics.

Summary

We encourage you to consider publishing in Environmental Epigenetics. This is one of the few journals dedicated to the topic. The breadth of the topic and impacts in everything from evolution to disease etiology we feel is a significant asset of the journal. This can include perspectives, research highlights (e.g. meetings), reviews, and research articles. We look forward to your submissions.
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