

Editorial

With this issue *Urological Research* begins its 14th year of circulation.

At present *Urological Research* is the only independent journal specializing in the publication of results of problem oriented clinical research, animal experimentation and laboratory techniques in urology and related fields. It is the policy of the editorial board to publish original work and preliminary communications as soon as possible after peer-review – provided that the papers are submitted in correct English and in accordance with the instructions to authors.

Urological Research has now come into its “teens” and its fathers have acquired some grey hair in the process.

To continue to carry on with its task and to improve its quality, the journal relies heavily on the help and expertise of an active editorial board, big enough to cope with the editorial work this presents. This is the reason why the journal has recently broadened, and to some extent, rejuvenated its board.

For their help and valuable contributions, the executive editors and the publisher wish to thank all those who left the board at the end of last year and welcome those who join us in our challenging task.

In order to improve its contacts with research oriented urological societies, *Urological Research* has created a group of editorial representatives who will serve as a link between these groups and the journal, in the interests of both.

We hope that these changes will add to the quality and to the interest of *Urological Research* and keep our readers even better informed of the events and trends in scientific urology around the world.

The board of executive editors