

Letter from the Editor

The quality of the published manuscripts continues to be high. Expert reviews from over 450 scientists are recognized in this issue. Our thanks to the reviewers for continuing to enhance the peer review commitment of the journal and Editorial Board.

I would like to welcome several new Editorial Board members: Dr. Andreas Bernkop-Schnuerch (Leopold-Franzens University Innsbruck); Dr. Vishal Gupta (Tyco Healthcare Mallinckrodt); Dr. Fiona McInnes (University of Strathclyde); Dr. Hugh Smyth (University of New Mexico); and Dr. Paul M. Young (University of Sydney). These new members are outstanding contributors to science and I look forward to their stewardship.

The Editorial Board members continue to encourage publication of high impact manuscripts. For 2005, the rejection rate of manuscripts submitted to the journal was about 50%, which is higher than that of 2004. The impact factor continues to increase since 2001. The impact factor was 0.787 for 2005. Importantly, the electronic page views were up significantly over 100% for the issue page, abstract page and full-text page.

The top five downloaded articles from Volume 31 were:

1) Sustained Release Characteristics of Tablets Prepared with Mixed Matrix of Sodium Carrageenan and Chitosan: Effect of Polymer Weight Ratio, Dissolution Medium and Drug Type by A. Bani-Jaber et al. (Issue 3); 2) Nanosuspension Formulations for Low-Soluble Drugs: Pharmacokinetic Evaluation Using Spironolactone as Model Compound by P. Langguth et al. (Issue 3); 3) Oral Bioadhesive Drug Delivery Systems by M. L. Bruschi et al. (Issue 3); 4) Enhancement of Dissolution Rate of Valdecixib Using Solid Dispersions with Polyethylene Glycol 4000 by C. Liu et al. (Issue 1); and 5) Calcium Pectinate Capsules for Colon-Specific Drug Delivery by C. Xu et al. (Issue 2).

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Thank you,
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