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As the year draws to an end, we would like to thank you for your continued interest in *Drug Safety*. We hope that you have found the articles in the journal in 2006 interesting and informative. Our publishing schedule for 2007 is well under way, and we are pleased to be bringing you many more high-quality, authoritative and state-of-the-art articles over the coming year.

Our journals would not be what they are without the willingness of the authors to contribute their time, energy and knowledge in writing the articles. We would like to thank all of the authors who have written articles for *Drug Safety* in the last 12 months. Along with the contribution of our authors, the significant input we receive from our peer reviewers is essential in ensuring that we continue to publish articles of the highest possible standard. Therefore, in addition to the members of our editorial board, we would like to thank the following individuals who acted as referees for articles published in *Drug Safety* in 2006:

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manuscript management process, which will enable you to check online the progress of your manuscript at any time.

We are pleased to report that this year has seen a number of our journals move up in ISI rankings and impact factors. The importance of our journal the *American Journal of Clinical Dermatology* in its field was established with its first ISI impact factor being reported at 2.182 and a ranking in the top 10 dermatology titles. *Disease Management & Health Outcomes* is also moving upwards with an increase in impact factor and celebrating its tenth year of publication in 2007. *Sports Medicine* is holding second place among the 71 Sports Science journals with an increase in impact factor to 3.333. *PharmacoEconomics*, *Clinical Pharmacokinetics*, *Drugs* and *Drugs & Aging* continue to improve or maintain their high impact factors. The impact factor of *Drug Safety* has increased to 3.211.

We are also delighted to announce that *Clinical Drug Investigation* has been accepted for indexing on MEDLINE. *Clinical Drug Investigation* specialises in rapid publication of original research covering all phases of clinical drug development and therapeutic use of drugs.

This year *Drug Safety* was very pleased to publish abstracts from two major safety meetings. The first, 'Pharmacovigilance of Herbal Medicines: Current State and Future Directions', held in the UK in April and the second, the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Pharmacovigilance 'Joining Forces for Managing Risk', held in Belgium in October. The journal continues its valued association with the International Society of Pharmacovigilance and readers are encouraged to join this highly relevant organization.

Finally, you may have noticed a transition in our logo to more clearly identify our position as part of the Wolters Kluwer Health group. We are proud to be part of this prestigious group, which increases our presence in the healthcare sector by association with other significant publication houses such as Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. We look forward to continuing to provide you with a broad range of articles by leading experts in all fields with an interest in the detection, evaluation, understanding and prevention of adverse drug reactions and other drug related problems. We welcome comments from our readers on any of our articles and invite suggestions for future content in *Drug Safety*. Please feel free to e-mail your comments and suggestions to us at drugsafety@adis.co.nz.

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