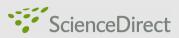


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Message from the President of the APSC

Dear Colleagues:

Greetings and congratulations!

This is the first time that the Asian Pacific Society of Cardiology (APSC) has its official journal - Cardiovascular Disease Prevention and Control, which is also the official journal of the World Heart Federation.

Currently, the APSC is composed of 18 national heart associations in two big continents, namely Asia and Australia. Being the most populated region in the world, the potential medical resources are enormous and awaiting exploration. The APSC should be as good as the American or European Societies of Cardiology. Prudent strategy is essential, and having an official journal is one of the key elements to this success. We need concerted efforts. Communication and cooperation among APSC Member Societies can be facilitated through the journal. I sincerely encourage and welcome all of you to submit your papers to *CVD Prevention and Control*, to highlight the similarity and the disparity as compared with American or European patients. This can not only benefit the Eastern people but also can shed light into the possible mechanisms of the disease pathophysiology, thereby contributing to advance in cardiovascular medicine worldwide. I am looking forward to a big success.

Sincerely

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