

Moving forward: continuous online article publishing

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Dear Reader

Cardiovascular Medicine has established itself as the most important cardiology journal in Switzerland. Reader surveys have shown that it is read by cardiologists, heart surgeons, angiologists and hypertension specialists as well as by colleagues specialised in general internal medicine.

Starting with the first issue of this year, we are pleased to announce changes in the way the journal is published. Rather than publishing the online issues at fixed intervals, we will move to a continuous publication model. After articles have been accepted for publication and have been corrected by our language editors, the authors will receive proofs for their approval to print. As soon as we have received feedback from the authors, the articles will be published online.

The printed issues will continue to be published at fixed intervals. You will receive them every two months by post together with the *Swiss Medical Journal* (Schweizerische Ärztezeitung).

A new production workflow will enable us to make several improvements to the HTML full texts on the website, such as linking the reference citations in the text to the reference list at the end of the articles and linking the references to Medline.

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ly published articles sent to you. You may sign up on our website www.cardiovascmed.ch or by using the QR code on page 1 of this issue.

As the official publication of the Swiss Society of Cardiology, the Swiss Society for Angiology, the Swiss Society of Hypertension and the Swiss Paediatric Cardiology Society, the journal will continue to publish reviews from recognised experts in the field, covering current topics and news pertaining to the related disciplines and selected reports of original research. These articles are rounded off with in-depth guidelines, the latest developments in the scientific community and clinical case reports. There are also abstracts and summary reports of national conferences, such as the annual meeting of the Swiss Society of Cardiology.

Prior to publication, all manuscripts, with the exception of Editorials and Letters to the Editors, undergo a single-blind peer review, conducted by independent experts in the field. There are no “article processing charges” (APCs) or “page charges” associated with this journal. Spontaneous submissions are welcome throughout the year and we kindly invite authors to use our online manuscript submission and review system: <http://www.edmgr.com/cvm/>

We look forward to receiving your articles and we hope that in 2019 we will again be able to offer you stimulating and informative reading that will support you in your daily work.

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