Preface

My first year as Editor-in-Chief of CNS & Neurological Disorders – Drug Targets coincided with COVID-19 pandemic. One of the darkest years of our recent history has ended. Health, economic and social implications were devastating. Our lives, our habits have radically changed. The global pandemic also had some negative effects in the scientific fields by limiting the time in which all scientists have to carry out their research. Hopefully, due to the availability of a number of vaccines, we begin to see the light at the end of the tunnel.

This year our journal is publishing its 20th Volume, continuing its mission to provide its readers with high quality research and review articles on the field of drug targets of CNS disorders, from molecular and cellular basis to clinical implications, which is constantly and rapidly expanding.

In my role of Editor-in-Chief of CNSND-DT, I had to face a number of problems. One of the most relevant is the relatively long time needed for the peer review process, possibly accentuated by the pandemic. As you know, timely reviews are of utmost importance to authors and, obviously, to the success of any scientific journal. Therefore, I would be grateful if our referees would submit their review as soon as possible. In this respect, I also ask for new scientists to join the team. As the aims and scope of the journal are wide and heterogeneous, we urgently need new members of the Editorial Board and new referees who have expertise in the different fields of neurosciences and can deal with the many submissions of manuscripts.

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