Preface



Welcome to Annals of Research Hospitals

It is our great pleasure to announce that Chinese Research Hospital Association (CRHA) and AME Publishing Company have co-launched a new journal, *Annals of Research Hospitals* (*ARH*). Prof. Xihua Liu, Vice-President and Secretary-General of the CRHA, will be the Editor-in-Chief of *ARH*.

In the era of translational medicine and precision medicine, basic research has never been so closely linked with clinical practices. Rapid development in the scientific world and new demands in hospital and patient management have brought new challenges for hospital managers, health care professionals and prompted the rise of "Research Hospitals"—hospitals combine with clinical practices, researches, teaching and innovation.

As an open-access, peer-reviewed, international online journal, *ARH* is dedicated to the cutting-edge findings related to innovative development in research hospitals, including but not limited to biomedical science, translational medicine, life sciences, humanities and information technology. Based on this new concept of "Research Hospital", the goal of this journal is to become a forum for hospital managing staff, researchers and clinicians etc., to share research findings and clinical solutions, to identify new translational enterprises, and to shape future directions for basic research and clinical practice in the field of developing and managing research hospitals. The journal features a distinguished editorial board, which brings together a team of highly experienced and renowned specialists in the field.

The journal strongly encourages submissions from across the globe, given that the journal has a wider and more inclusive scope. It also covers a wide range of article types, including but not limited to thought-provoking researches, state-of-the-art review articles, up-to-date technique reports, insightful editorial letters, etc. Furthermore, as an open-access and electronic journal, *ARH* allows a rapid and widespread dissemination of the latest findings among our readers.

With the joint efforts of all the editorial board members, authors, reviewers and the editorial office, we believe that *ARH* will grow into an internationally respected and informative literature for hospital managing staff, health care professionals, as well as the general public.

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