Introducing the Lipid and Cardiovascular Research

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Cardiovascular disease (CVD) is one of the most common diseases seriously harmful to human health. The death toll associated with CVD has surpassed that of other diseases, including cancer and respiratory disease, and continues to increase. Atherosclerosis (AS) is the leading cause of the occurrence and development of CVD. AS may arise in blood vessels throughout the body and may promote the development of other diseases. The narrowing of the arteries due to cholesterol buildup in the blood vessel walls is largely responsible for AS. Abnormal blood lipid levels, especially hypercholesterolemia, have been regarded as a leading cause of cardiovascular events. In addition, abnormal lipid metabolism can also lead to hyperlipidemia, nonalcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), cancer, and neurodegenerative diseases, among other diseases. However, abnormalities in cholesterol metabolism are extremely complex, and a number of different associated aspects require further examination. In addition, more research is needed on the treatment or prevention of AS and CVD. Forums for sharing research results and exchanging information are thus especially welcome.

I am delighted to hereby introduce Lipid and Cardiovascular Research, a newly launched, open access, peer-reviewed, international journal available in print and online, with the aim of providing a global forum for the rapid dissemination of significant, original research results related to all aspects of lipids and CVD. Target readers of this journal include, but are not limited to, medical associates, technologists, students, intern or resident physicians, clinical fellows, specialists in cardiology, as well as scientists who are interested in the field of lipids and cardiology, and employees of pharmaceutical entities.

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