

Editorial New Deputy Editors and Medical Editor

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In January 2007, *EHP* was fortunate to have Steve Kleeberger and Matt Longnecker step up to serve with me as interim deputy editors in the absence of a full-time permanent editor. Steve and Matt have given generously of their time, expertise, and energy in helping to maintain *EHP*'s scientific quality during a time of transition. Given *EHP*'s broad scope of coverage, however, we felt the need to likewise broaden the scope of our science editorial expertise. Thus, we are pleased to welcome aboard two additional interim deputy editors.

Michael P. Waalkes is a senior research toxicologist with the National Cancer Institute, where he serves as chief of the Inorganic Carcinogenesis Section, which is part of the Laboratory of Comparative Carcinogenesis stationed at the NIEHS campus in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. Mike received his PhD in pharmacology and toxicology from West Virginia University. His postdoctoral studies at the University of Kansas School of Medicine focused on the cellular and molecular mechanisms of acquired tolerance to metal toxicity. His current research involves defining the mechanisms of action of the carcinogenic inorganics, including arsenic, lead, and cadmium. Mike is currently an adjunct professor of molecular toxicology at Duke University and an active member of the Society of Toxicology. He has been the editor of *Toxicology and Applied Pharmacology* since 2000 and serves on the editorial boards of *Toxicology*, the *Journal of Toxicology and Environmental Health*, and *Toxicology Mechanisms and Methods*.

Stephanie London is a senior investigator in the NIEHS Epidemiology Branch with a joint appointment in the Laboratory of Respiratory Biology. She received her MD and her DrPH degree in epidemiology from Harvard University. She completed a residency in internal medicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital and a residency in occupational and environmental medicine at Harvard, and is board certified in both fields. Stephanie was an assistant professor at the University of Southern California School of Medicine from 1989 through 1995, where she was part of a small team of investigators who founded a landmark study of health effects of air pollution in schoolchildren known as the Children's Health Study. She came to the NIEHS in 1995. Her work focuses on genetics and interactions between genetics, diet, and environmental pollutants in relation to asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Stephanie is an editor for *Epidemiology* and has served on the editorial board of the *American Journal of Epidemiology*.

I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce our new medical editor, Russ Hauser, who succeeds Brian S. Schwartz. Russ is an associate professor of environmental and occupational epidemiology in the departments of Environmental Health and Epidemiology at the Harvard School of Public Health. He graduated from Clark University and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, where he received his MD. He received his MPH and ScD from the Harvard School of Public Health, where he completed a residency in occupational medicine. He is board certified in occupational medicine. From 2000 to



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2004, he served as deputy director of the Occupational and Environmental Medicine Residency, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Education and Research Center. Russ's research focuses on the effects of environmental and occupational chemicals on fertility and pregnancy outcomes. He is on the editorial board of the *Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology*, and is chair of the Environment and Reproduction Special Interest Group of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine.

Finally, we bid a fond farewell to Brian, our outgoing medical editor. Brian served in this role from July 2004 through July 2007. During this time he significantly raised the bar for *EHP*'s Grand Rounds and Environmental Medicine submissions, allowing the journal to advance in its mission of delineating relationships between the environment and human health. We are most grateful for his service to the journal.

Stay tuned for news of a permanent editor-in-chief for *EHP*. As always, we welcome your feedback.

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Updates for *EHP* Meeting Reports, Grants

Beginning in November 2007, *EHP* will fold its Workgroup Report format in with its Meeting Reports, with both to be known hereafter as Meeting Reports. By consolidating these article types and tightening the requirements for their publication, we aim to better meet the needs of our readers with timelier, more substantive reports of important events in the field of environmental health science. All Meeting Reports will be peer reviewed for scientific content and the significance of their scientific and/or policy-related contribution to the field. These short (maximum 5,000 words) synopses of conferences, symposia, workgroup meetings, or workshops should be submitted to *EHP* no later than 9 months after the events they describe, and each should clearly present the event's objectives, issues, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as background information as a context for the event. Meeting Reports may review existing information, summarize research findings on specific topics, and recommend methods, courses of action, or further research needs for the scientific community. *De novo* data and participant lists are not allowed in Meeting Reports.

In other news, the Grants, Fellowships, & Awards section is now a web-only feature of *EHP*. This will allow us to update the section more frequently and include more information, heightening the section's value to *EHP* readers.