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Editorial

The inauguration of *Infectious Medicine*

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Currently, the threat posed by infectious diseases has been growing, especially when we face two main types of infectious diseases: emerging infectious diseases and re-emerging infectious diseases. Re-emerging infectious diseases are those that we have previously controlled, but have then emerged again; examples include tuberculosis, malaria, cholera, and syphilis. Emerging infectious diseases are mostly zoonosis infectious diseases, which exist in the animal kingdom without apparent disease and continue to evolve. They do not attract our attention until they spill over into the human population and cause disease, even a pandemic. Therefore, zoonosis diseases are ticking time bombs faced by the human population. We do not know when and where these diseases will occur, their scale, and we have no vaccines or medicines to immediately deal with these threats.

Infectious Medicine has been created at this time when the world has been engulfed by the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic. It aims to publish papers on any aspect of infection and infectious disease, especially research at the intersection of emerging infectious diseases and zoonosis infectious diseases. We hope that it can become a platform for the exchange and dissemination of knowledge on the prevention and control of infectious diseases, especially those causing human infections.

Infectious Medicine is an open access and peer-reviewed journal. The scope of this journal includes all aspects of infectious diseases with concern for the health of populations, especially emerging infectious diseases, including but not limited to the following areas: (1) Clinical study on surveillance, diagnosis, observation and treatment of infectious diseases; (2) Epidemiology, prevention and control of infectious diseases and nosocomial

infections; (3) Pathogenesis, microbiology and immunology of infection; (4) Research and development of vaccines against infectious diseases; (5) Public health policies and epidemic prevention measures for infectious diseases. The Journal seeks to bring together knowledge from all specialties involved in infection research, and to promote academic exchanges, and present the work with the high scientific quality of infectious disease research.

The successful launch of this journal is inseparable from the efforts of our authors, our experts, and all of our readers. We appreciated the contribution from the authors who entrust their manuscripts to us, from our experts who help in selecting the best papers; and to our readers for their fidelity and their renewed interest in our journal content.

A new adventure is starting. With your support and your cooperation to help us overcome possible difficulties that might arise, I believe we will make a brighter future for infectious medicine.

We look forward to receiving your contributions!

Ethical statement

The research reported here has adhered to the relevant ethical guidelines.

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