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In 2021, *Drugs* will be celebrating 50 years and we look forward to continuing to provide you with high interest, clinically relevant content in the field of drug treatment. The Section Editors and I thank you for your continued support.

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