

# New Editorship of *Neurodegenerative Diseases*

We hereby announce a change in the leadership of the journal *Neurodegenerative Diseases*. After leading *Neurodegenerative Diseases* for over five years, Professor Unschuld is passing the baton to Professor Gilles Allali, the head of the Leenaards Memory Center at Lausanne University Hospital. Since the beginning of 2018, Professor Paul G. Unschuld, head of the geriatric psychiatry division of the Geneva University hospital and specialist in age-related brain pathologies, has been serving as the Editor-in-Chief, bringing significant improvements to the journal and its offerings. During his tenure, he revitalized the editorial board by inviting new associate editors who represented innovative methodological approaches in the field [1]. With their expertise and contributions from experts around the world, the journal aimed to provide readers with robust findings and compelling research methodologies.

Under Professor Unschuld's guidance, the journal's metrics have shown remarkable improvement and he introduced several features to help authors stay on top of the challenges of publishing in today's world. Review times have been reduced to 8 weeks, and authors can make their accepted work immediately accessible to the scientific community through Early View. Demonstrating our commitment to Open Science, the journal has become a Transformative Journal since 2021, affirming its commitment to increasing the number of Open Access published articles. In line with the principles of Open Science, the journal now accepts Method articles such as Study Protocols and Brief Reports. Furthermore, to enhance the impact and visibility of papers, we have introduced Plain Language Summaries and Graphical Abstracts as features that authors can include with their submissions.

Professor Allali has been appointed as Editor-in-Chief based on his outstanding research and editorial experience. His internationally recognized leadership in neurodegeneration, pathology of aging, neurological complications of viral infections, and broad network of international collaborators will also be vital to the development and growth of *Neurodegenerative Diseases*. We extend a warm welcome to Professor Gilles Allali and wholeheartedly thank Professor Paul G. Unschuld for his efforts and continued support. Professor Unschuld will continue serving the journal in the capacity of a senior editor, sharing his expertise.

While noteworthy progress has been made in neurodegenerative diseases research in recent years, these conditions continue to pose substantial challenges. Effective treatments and cures remain elusive, but the advancements in the field offer hope for improved diagnosis, management, and potential future therapies for individuals affected by these diseases and their support networks. Under the editorial leadership of Professor Allali, we are confident that *Neurodegenerative Diseases* will continue to provide a high-quality forum where important findings and advances can support the community's tireless efforts to bring relief to those affected by these debilitating conditions.

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## References

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