Letter from the Editor

This issue of the Journal of the International Academy of Periodontology marks a major change for the Journal. Since its inception in 1999, the Journal has been produced by FDI World Dental Press in Great Britain. However, FDI notified us at the end of 2010 that they were divesting themselves of World Dental Press. Therefore, in February of this year, we discontinued the arrangement with World Dental Press in the United Kingdom, and transferred the layout and printing of the Journal to Hasti Digital Prints in Mumbai, India. This change allows the Academy to realize significant financial savings in the production of the Journal. This new relationship will benefit our members and submitters as well, in that effective with the July 2011 issue, the printing of color figures will be provided without any additional costs to the authors. To facilitate the change in publishers, we did not publish an April issue of the Journal. Our association with Hasti Printing begins with this issue. Although we may encounter a few bumps along the way that may take an issue or two to overcome, the overall result should be a modern color journal with papers of high scientific merit that are of great interest to our international readers with an interest in periodontology.

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