



### Welcoming 10<sup>th</sup> year of Organic Communications

Dear Colleagues,

Organic Communications, started its publication life in 2008, is pleased to be with you with the first issue of its 10<sup>th</sup> volume. When Organic Communications entered into open access publishing life, such concept was in its initial life. That time, the number of open access journals published in the field of organic chemistry was very few. In later years, the number of open access journals grew like an avalanche. On the other hand, unfortunately, this growth was not very healthy. John Bohannon's "Who's Afraid of Peer Review"<sup>1</sup>, published by Science magazine reporter in 2013, revealed the weaknesses in article reviews on scientific publishing. As Organic Communications knew this problem very well, it conducted the peer review process from the very beginning with a very high degree of precision.

As a family of Organic Communications, we are proud of having the trust of our readers, authors and referees. For ten years now, as our publishing policy, we have been following the evaluation of the equivalent referee principle. So far, 143 articles from different countries, including different universities and research institutions, have been published. Although this number looks small for a scientific journal, I would like to take your attention how careful we have been in evaluating the submitted manuscripts since about 14% of the submitted articles have been accepted for publication. According to the Scifinder® records, there are more than 450 citations for published articles. In addition, approximately 600 citations in Google Scholar clearly shows that the work published in this journal is followed by world scientists and valued by many high-level journals.

The geographical distribution of the articles published in our journal represent countries almost across all continents, including India, Turkey, USA, Israel, Algeria, China, European countries and Japan. Moreover, we have published articles from research institutions of nearly 20 different countries and we will continue to publish their articles.

Organic Communications is indexed by the databases including EBSCOhost, DOAJ, ProQuest, Google Scholar, Index Copernicus and Scopus, taking into account the diversity, authority and seriousness in our publication policy.

We know that in many countries academic promotions are based on articles published in SCI-Expanded journals and, for this purpose, we are very careful to have Organic Communications covered by SCI-Expanded. In this regard, we have already made application to Thomson Reuters, and we request our authors to submit their quality works to our journal to speed up the progress.

In the 10<sup>th</sup> year of Organic Communications, we work for a more effective journal. In this context, new contributions have already been made to our editorial board and we do our best to reach leading scientists to attract their attention to our journal.

In order to improve our publishing standards, we are encouraging all our authors to submit supporting materials for their articles. By providing IR, UV, NMR, mass and HRMS spectra and

interpretations of the synthesized substances, we aim to improve the scientific level of the journal and provide a large pool of information to young researchers.

Finally, I would like to encourage our scientific community for the continuation of their support keeping in mind that while a better article increases the impact factor of a scientific journal, a journal with a better impact factor attracts better articles. In this context, I would like to express my most heartfelt thanks to all of you for your trust and contributions to Organic Communications.

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#### **Reference**

[1] Bohannon, J. Who's afraid of peer review. *Science* **2013**, *342* (6154), 60-65.