## **EDITORIAL**

## New Editors-in-Chief of Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine

As seen in issue 7 of the *Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine* (JRM) there has been a shift of Editor-in-Chief from Professor Bengt Sjölund to Professors Henk Stam and Kristian Borg.

As joint Editors-in-Chief we would like to take the opportunity to thank Professor Sjölund for his 4 years in the post, during which time the journal has been modernized and has monitored new developments in the field. Professor Sjölund has been both a safe captain, holding the rudder firmly, and a pilot, observing and following new trends. We would also like to welcome 3 new associate editors; Professors Guy Vanderstraeten, Gent, Belgium, Cecilie Røe, Oslo, Norway and Klaas Postema, Groningen, The Netherlands.

JRM is a non-profit journal owned by the non-profit Foundation of Rehabilitation Medicine. It was founded in 1969 as the *Scandinavian Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine* and the name was changed in 2001. Over this period of almost 50 years JRM has developed from a national/regional (Swedish/Scandinavian) journal into an international journal with subscribers and authors from all over the world. JRM was appointed official journal of the International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM) in 2006. The current appointment of both a Swedish and an international Editor-in-Chief is a further step in that direction.

As Editors-in-Chief we have a great responsibility to maintain the tradition of the journal, whilst modernizing further and keeping pace with rapid developments in scientific publishing. The last point is a prerequisite for the survival of a scientific journal such as JRM. In the next issue we will address further improvements and new approaches, including routines and journal design.

The change in Editor-in-Chief will not affect the scientific content of JRM. It will continue to provide readers with a variety of topics within the main areas of neurorehabilitation and rehabilitation of different pain conditions, including functional assessment and intervention studies, clinical studies in various patient groups, methodology in physical and rehabilitation medicine (PRM), epidemiological studies on disabling conditions, and reports on vocational and sociomedical aspects of rehabilitation.

We are honoured to be appointed Editors-in-Chief of JRM. Our aim is to provide readers with the highest quality scientific articles within the area of PRM. In this, we will maintain good cooperation with authors, associate editors and reviewers, which is an essential prerequisite for the success of JRM. In addition we will continue to develop our fruitful cooperation with ISPRM and the other scientific PRM bodies.

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