

EDITORIAL

One step backward, two steps forward: science that prioritizes future generations

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Science matters. How we do science and how we use science matters. Although I understand feeling sentimental for a time that seemed simpler, I believe the complex problems of tomorrow demand our attention today. I also believe that advocacy is important, but void of action can leave us one step short of progress. So, for me, this is a particularly compelling time to have the honor of serving as the fourth editor of the *Journal of Exposure Science and Environmental Epidemiology (JESEE)*.

Now in its 26th year, *JESEE* is uniquely poised to promote and disseminate science required to build a healthy future for our children and grandchildren. In this vein, the *JESEE* of today aims to be the premier and authoritative source of information on advances in exposure science for professionals in a wide range of environmental and public health disciplines.

JESEE will publish research presenting significant advances in exposure science and exposure analysis, including development and application of the latest technologies for measuring exposures, and innovative computational approaches for translating novel data streams to characterize and predict exposures. Reported results will further understanding of the relationship between environmental exposure and human health, describe evaluated novel exposure science tools, and demonstrate the potential of exposure science to enable decisions and actions that promote and protect human health.

JESEE is particularly interested in publishing research that integrates information from exposure science, epidemiology, and

toxicology to provide holistic understanding of the most pressing environmental and public health concerns. *JESEE* endeavors to foster interdisciplinary discussion of the major advances, trends, and challenges in exposure science.

I would like to thank the outgoing editor and editorial board members for their sustained and important contributions to the journal over the last 5 years. Please enjoy a well-deserved break, but know we will continue to look for and value your critical contributions to the journal. I would also like to welcome our new associate editors. In addition to bringing renewed energy and enthusiasm to the journal, this team brings a wealth of expertise in the traditional and emerging science required to support the updated aims and scope. I am extremely grateful to these scientists for agreeing to commit their time and talents to the journal.

Together with this editorial team, I am committed to delivering technically rigorous science with real-world impact. I hope that as we continue to build a community vested in today and passionate about the future, our dialogue will be stimulating and constructive. I invite *JESEE*'s authors and readers to share suggestions as we work together over the coming years to deliver science that will enable sustainable environmental and public health.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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