

## **EDITORIAL**

## The *Journal of Antibiotics* partners with Nature Publishing Group

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It is our great pleasure and honor to announce to our readers our new publishing partnership with Nature Publishing Group (NPG), a renowned international science publisher, to publish *The Journal of Antibiotics (JA)* from January 2009.

The new partnership between NPG and the Japan Antibiotics Research Association (JARA) to publish *JA* is an exciting development and will greatly enhance the visibility and impact of *JA*—and help to establish the journal as one of the leading bioactive and microbial natural products journals.

Under the leadership of Editor-in-Chief Dr Satoshi Ōmura, we foresee a close and fruitful collaboration among the vital elements of a successful journal. These elements include the Association and

publishers, Editorial Board members, reviewers, and of course our authors. The outcome of this collaboration will ensure the high quality of *JA*, increase the international standing of the journal, and will, I believe, fulfill some of the aims of JARA: to serve the research community by publishing a journal with the highest quality and with high impact in the field of bioactive and microbial natural products research.

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