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Emerging Microbes and Infections invites submissions

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Emerging Microbes and Infections (*EMI*) is inviting submissions, following its partnership with Nature Publishing Group (NPG). The new online-only, peer-reviewed open access journal is expected to publish its first articles in July 2012 on nature.com. Submissions can be made via links at **www.nature.com/emi**.

EMI will report important discoveries of emerging microbes (bacteria, viruses, fungi and other pathogens) including their previously unknown phenotypic or genotypic characteristics, as well as cutting edge information associated with microbial mechanisms of pathogenesis, immune evasion and protection, clinical presentation and outcome, drug efficacy and its resistance, epidemiology and other issues important to global health.

Founding Co-Editors-in-Chiefs Professors Yumei Wen (Fudan University, Shanghai, China) and Hans-Dieter Klenk (Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany) are supported by an 86-member international editorial board.

The publishing agreement was signed at Shanghai Medical College, Fudan University in 2011. The formal agreement was signed by Dr. Wenhong Zhang, Associate Editor of *EMI* and Chief of Infectious Diseases Service at Huashan Hospital and Dr. Antoine E. Bocquet, Director, Asia-Pacific, NPG. Prof. Yumei Wen, Editor-in-Chief of *EMI*, along with associate editors and Shanghai-based editorial board members attended this signing ceremony.

"NPG already publishes quality research on emerging infectious diseases in a number of its journals," said Dr. Bocquet for NPG. "We look forward to expanding this with *EMI*, particularly given the evidence from developing countries where such diseases are regularly being discovered."

"We are delighted to be in partnership with NPG as it is such a well-respected and world-renowned publisher," said Professor Yumei Wen. "NPG's reputation for quality and excellence, and global reach made it a clear choice for us."

All articles published in *EMI* will be open access, on payment of an article processing charge (APC). Authors will have a choice of two non-commercial Creative Commons (CC) licenses.

EMI is the 13th journal published by NPG in the Asia-Pacific region, and joins more than 50 journals among NPG's academic and society journal portfolio that are open access or offer open access options.

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