

## A brief evaluation of Neuroanatomy [2004]

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We are very happy to present our new volume of Neuroanatomy. When asked to prepare the Editorial which traditionally comes out at the end of the year, I had long before written the contents not knowing that I would have to add an unhappy event.

On December 14, 2004 we received through the AACA Mail List sent by Professor Peter Abrahams the sudden news that Dr. Johannes Marinus Boon, a member of our Scientific Advisory Board, was deceased. As Editors we decided to dedicate the present volume to this young and skilled anatomist. Our hearts go to his family and friends. Dr. Boon will always be remembered for his successes in the scientific community.

I wish now to give the readers news about some happier developments.

Our journal's Deputy Editor H. Hamdi Celik, and Technical Editor M. Mustafa Aldur, won an award for their oral presentation entitled 'Neuroanatomy: an annual journal of clinical neuroanatomy' at the '2nd Conference on Medical Journal Publishing in the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region' organized by the Saudi Medical Journal in Riyadh between October 10-12, 2004. I wish to congratulate the Editors.

An even greater gain on behalf of our Journal is the meeting of the Editors at the same convention with Professor Robert B. Daroff, the valuable scientist who has given his name to Daroff's Sign [1] and the Brandt-Daroff manoeuvres and who has also been the Editor-in-Chief of Neurology journal for long years. They have equally had the opportunity to listen to Dr. Daroff's two lectures on 'Medical ethics and scientific misconduct' and 'Role of journal editors in promoting good scientific writing'. We also wish to thank Dr. Daroff for accepting our invitation to join our Editorial Board, especially related with ethical [2] issues.

Another joyful event is the reception of a letter on April 19, 2004 informing us that our Journal will be scanned by Elsevier Bibliographic Databases (which also provides data to indexes such as EMBASE, Compendex, Geobase, Scopus and Science Direct Navigator) starting from the beginning of 2004. I would like to assert that this scanning will positively affect Science Citation Index citations.

I would like to conclude this 2004 brief evaluation by thanking our Honorary Editor Professor Tuncalp Ozgen for his great support to Neuroanatomy.

Wishing a Happy New Year to everyone...

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