

EDITORIAL

A Message from the Editor-in-Chief and Publisher

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The Journal of Cardiac Surgery and Wiley are delighted to announce that the Journal will be increasing the frequency of publication from a bimonthly to a monthly basis and will fully move to an online-only publication, beginning on January 1, 2015. In addition to reducing the carbon footprint of printing and mailing the Journal, this important transition reflects a larger trend in scholarly publishing.

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