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EDITORIAL

You have probably noticed that the current issue has a page count well exceeding 100 pages. In this issue we have been able to attract a lot of interesting content. Furthermore, I want to draw your attention to some changes we've made starting in this volume.

First, we changed the journal name slightly to *Journal of Neurotherapy, Investigations in Neuromodulation, Neurofeedback and Applied Neuroscience*. We thought this encompassed all of the areas without changing the name entirely. Second, we have updated the editorial board. I would therefore very much like to welcome all our new editors: Ute Strehl, Hartmut Heinrich, Nathan Weisz, David Cantor, Mirjam Kouijzer, Leslie Sherlin, Jan Buitelaar, Rien Breteler, Raymond Cluydts, Jon Frederick, and Tomas Ros. Rex Cannon and Noland White joined Joel Lubar, Juri Kropotov, M. Barry Serman, and Cory Hammond as Associate Editors, and Cynthia Kerson came on board as Managing Editor. Furthermore, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of all the editors of our journal for supporting it and meeting the—sometimes very fast—deadlines we subject them to.

Given that neurofeedback is increasingly being investigated and used by many clinicians, it is also very important to recognize that any treatment that can have beneficial effects can also potentially have side effects. Hammond and Kirk (2008) already made a clear case for the reporting of side effects and the need for standards of practice in this journal. In the current issue we have a new section called Letter to the Editor, which contains a report of side effects associated

with neurofeedback by Todder et al. We want to motivate clinicians to use this section to report any side effects they might have experienced. Only by acknowledging and reporting on potential side effects of neurofeedback can we grow our field further and better understand what we do. The Letter to the Editor section is also a place for people to correct statements that appeared in articles published, or notify the readers of unreported viewpoints. However, these should be substantiated based on literature. We are therefore inviting readers to consider this section for future submissions.

Finally, the first article by Sherlin et al. is the ISNR position paper—also accepted by the ISNR Board of Directors—on the use of neurofeedback in ADHD. This article provides a good historical overview of neurofeedback in the treatment of ADHD and provides conclusions on the current status of neurofeedback for this population. We hope this is a good resource for the readership, which can also be used as an introduction to people with an interest in this field. When new research comes along, this article can be updated to reflect new results.

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