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World Allergy Organization installs new Editor-in-Chief of World Allergy Organization Journal

MILWAUKEE – The World Allergy Organization (WAO) has announced the new editorship of Alessandro Fiocchi, M.D., as Editor-in-Chief of the *World Allergy Organization Journal* (WAO Journal) effective 1 January.

Dr. Fiocchi is the Director of Allergy at the Pediatric Hospital Bambino Gesù in Rome, Vatican City. He is an expert in the field of food allergy, and his publications cover the fields of food allergy diagnosis, follow-up, epidemiology, specific immunotherapy, and childhood asthma. Currently, he leads a research group, based in the Bambino Gesù Pediatric Hospital (OPBG), focusing on food allergy, asthma, and specific immunotherapy.

Launched in 2008 as an online-only journal, the *World Allergy Organization Journal* made a transition to open access publishing in 2013, to further increase availability of the journal anywhere in the world for all individual members of the WAO member societies. “With a worldwide platform, the journal offers a special opportunity for the exchange of information and ideas from different regions in the world. We are delighted to have Alessandro Fiocchi’s leadership during the next era of the *World Allergy Organization Journal* as an open access publication,” said Lanny Rosenwasser, M.D., President of the World Allergy Organization.

Dr. Fiocchi has served as a section editor or member of the editorial boards of several major medical journals in the field of allergy and clinical immunology. He founded and presides over the Italian Research Foundation for Allergy and Asthma in Childhood – Allergia ONLUS, a charity dedicated to clinical and research studies.

About the World Allergy Organization

The World Allergy Organization (WAO) is an international alliance of 92 regional and national allergy, asthma, and immunology societies. Through collaboration with its Member Societies, WAO provides a wide range of educational and outreach programs, symposia, and lectureships to allergists/immunologists around the world and conducts initiatives related to clinical practice, service provision, and physical training in order to better understand and address the challenges facing allergists/immunologists worldwide. (www.worldallergy.org)

About the World Allergy Organization Journal

World Allergy Organization Journal publishes original research, clinical reviews, position papers, and epidemiological studies that contribute to current knowledge in patient care. With authors, reviewers and readers representing all geographic regions, the journal provides a truly global perspective on allergy, asthma and clinical immunology. (www.waojournal.org)

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