
To serve you better...

Dear Readers and Authors,

As you may have noticed, our guidelines have changed slightly (see page 243). However, this small change has great consequences. Quintessence has decided to start a new editorial office in Copenhagen. The new office will handle the whole review process of the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* in the future. Although this is an important part of the new structure, the fundamental innovation is that Quintessence has purchased a computer program which will make the review process completely paperless. Once an author has submitted his/her manuscript, it will be stored on the server and converted into the pdf format. Potential reviewers will be e-mailed the manuscript's abstract and asked if they can do the job within the set deadline. If they agree, they will immediately receive the manuscript by e-mail. They will also be able to e-mail their comments back to the publishing office. Authors will be able to check on the status of their manuscript and will get the reviewer's comments right away – also via e-mail. As Editor-in-Chief, I will be able to correspond with the server whenever I have access to the Internet.

With this new organization, we will be able to speed up the review process and decrease the total publication time by eliminating some of the very slow "snail mail" involved, benefitting all readers and authors.

Quintessence will also modify the journal production process which is the base for online publication of the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry*. The implementation of this step is planned for the beginning of 2004.

With these new measures, we will be able to serve you as a customer/reader better and faster, without sacrificing the high quality. Going online, you will have the advantage of all the electronic tools which have changed publishing so much in the last decade (eg, searches or cross-references).

We have done all this to serve you, our customers, better. We hope that you will enjoy the *Journal of Adhesive Dentistry* even more in the future.



J.-F. Roulet, Editor-in-Chief