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## Editorial

# A New Concept for the European Urology Update Series

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With this issue of the *European Urology Update Series*, several changes in the format and content of this publication are implemented. Starting with this issue, the *European Urology Update Series* will be focused more consistently on education and updates to the core topics of clinical urology. All issues will cover themes that are relevant to clinical urology and will attempt to cover what every resident in training should learn and know about the topic.

Starting with *benign prostatic hyperplasia* in this issue, the *European Urology Update Series* will cover all of the relevant fields of clinical urology in theme issues over a period of 3–4 yr, with four issues per year. All of the contributions will be invited from recognized experts and, nonetheless, will undergo peer review. Each issue will contain CME questions on the topic covered, so that an educational self-assessment is possible for those who wish to take it.

This new concept for the *European Urology Update Series* was specifically intended by the European Association of Urology (EAU) Executive Committee to provide an educational tool that would be helpful for residents and fellows preparing for the European Board of Urology Fellowship examination. It should encompass the curriculum that, by European stan-

dards, forms the content of knowledge that a urologist should have. Thus, the development of the *European Urology Update Series* will be done in close cooperation with the European Board of Urology as well as with the European School of Urology.

For editorial reasons, the *European Urology Update Series* has now been incorporated into the *European Urology Supplements*. This change is advantageous in that an impact factor now applies to the *European Urology Update Series*, which is more attractive for authors who provide manuscripts. Authors will receive a return for their work, which should attract good manuscripts for this publication.

With these changes, the EAU Executive Committee has asked me to take over as the Editor-in-Chief of the *European Urology Update Series*, succeeding Professor Fritz Schröder, who has edited this publication for a long time with great diligence and success. Regular readers will have valued his work, and we can all be grateful for it.

Hopefully, the new concept will be accepted and regarded as attractive and helpful by future readers. The editorial team will do its very best to provide an interesting and attractive *European Urology Update Series* in the future.