



Kardiovaskularni časopisi nacionalnih društava Europe: Almanah 2011. godine

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Mreža urednika predstavlja Radnu skupinu Europskog kardiološkog društva (ESC), koju čine 44 kardiovaskularna časopisa nacionalnih društava koji se izdaju u 37 država¹. Među operativnim zadacima sadržanim u izjavi o svojoj misiji sadržana je obveza da se unaprijedi širenje znanstvenog znanja distribuiranjem zajedničkog akademskog materijala i zajedničkih edukativnih inicijativa². Časopis *Heart* već ima važno edukativno poglavlje čiji je sadržaj odobren od strane Europskog odbora za akreditaciju u kardiologiji (EBAC), a pristup je u cijelosti besplatan i moguć je putem web stranica časopisa *Heart* i portala ESC. Nedavna zajednička publikacija Mreže urednika je pozvala na širenje edukacijskih inicijativa putem nacionalnih kardioloških časopisa diljem Europe³ te se kao reakcija na ovaj poziv pojavio niz radova u *Almanahu* za 2011. godinu, više ili manje paralelno u mnogim časopisima Mreže urednika. Almanah — riječ koja potječe preko srednjovjekovnog latinskog iz grčkog *almenikhiaka* — definira se kao godišnji kalendar koji sadrži važne datume i statističke podatke. Donosi aproksimativan opis serije novih članaka koji predstavljaju novosti važne za praksu iz jedne od šest tema odabranih istraživanja. Sadržaj je edukativan i klinički relevantan, a njegova objava u svim kardiovaskularnim časopisima nacionalnih društava Europe predstavlja prekretnicu u suradničkom izdavaštvu. Planovi za *Almanah 2012. godine* su sada ambiciozniji i utiru put za novu eru zajedničkih edukativnih inicijativa koje pokreće Mreža urednika ESC.

The Editors' Network is a task force of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC), representing the 44 National Society Cardiovascular Journals that are published across 37 countries¹. Among the operational goals enshrined in its mission statement is a commitment to improve the diffusion of scientific knowledge through distribution of common academic material and joint education initiatives². *Heart* already has a strong education section and its content, approved by the European Board for Accreditation in Cardiology (EBAC), is available for free access via the *Heart* and ESC websites. However, a recent joint publication of the Editors' Network called for educational initiatives to be extended throughout the national cardiology journals of Europe³, and it is in response to that call that a series of *Almanac 2011* papers are appearing more or less simultaneously in many of the Network Journals. Almanac — a late Middle English word derived via medieval Latin from Greek *almenikhiaka* — is defined as an annual calendar containing important dates and statistical information. It provides an approximate description of the new series of papers presenting selected recent research that has driven clinical advances in six major topic areas. The content is educative and clinically relevant and its presentation across the national society cardiovascular journals of Europe represents a milestone in collaborative publishing. Plans for *Almanac 2012* are yet more ambitious and pave the way for a new era of joint educational initiatives driven by the Editors' Network of the ESC.

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