



Dear Authors, Reviewers and Readers,

I am pleased to inform you that the current impact factor of our journal has now increased from 1.439 to 1.640.

As we have seen in the last 20 years, Acta Otorhinolaryngologica Italica is constantly increasing in both citations and in its reputation. Not only is the mere number of citations constantly growing, but also their quality, coming increasingly from the most cited journals in our category. The most entrusted journal analyser, with particular regard to Scopus and JCR, confirms this data. This clearly reflects the quality and quantity of work done by the Authors, Reviewers and Editorial Staff. This prominent position in the international scientific scenario is an incredible opportunity to promote the excellent research performed by the members of the Italian Society of Otolaryngology. Promotion of the work of Italian scientists is the main focus of our journal, and will be in the years to come, of course keeping the door open to the most interesting research from abroad. Acta Otorhinolaryngologica Italica should be intended as the voice of our society, and deserves our best efforts.

My gratitude goes to the past Editors-in-Chief, with whom I share the pride for this step further. I also would like to thank those who served on the journal staff, its editorial board, and particularly the Reviewers, to whom great efforts are requested to keep up with the ever increasing number of articles received by our journal.

I would also like to thank our publisher. Its work, along with that of the member of the Editorial Secretariat, has made it possible to solve the small and somehow expected problems related to the first years of the Online Editorial Manager. The implementation of the Online Manager, now more than ever, seems to have been the right choice at the right time. It would have been otherwise impossible to accomplish the amount of work required by the hundreds of papers received each year.

Another year has gone, but necessities are always the same, so I still strongly encourage you to submit your work for consideration for publication in Acta Otorhinolaryngologica Italica. We welcome papers in multiple areas, ranging from medical/clinical perspectives to basic and experimental research, with special appreciation for those on novel and emerging topics. We encourage well conducted review articles and/or meta-analyses to which is our intention to give some priority. Please do not forget that the best way to promote our journal, and the work of all the authors and members of our Society who publish in it, is to cite the papers that best fit your specific topic of interest when publishing in other internationally indexed journals.

Being Editor in Chief of Acta Otorhinolaryngologica Italica is something I'm really proud of, and I take this task extremely seriously. I try to be as careful as possible in every single choice, considering any possible way to promote the growth of our journal, but even if I spend any possible personal effort for the sake of our journal, actually I prefer to think of it as a community, where all Members are called on to contribute. Please share your thoughts with us, your feedback and your ideas, with them you can help us in the demanding task of making this journal even better, issue by issue, and year by year, for all the Members of the Society, and all the readers worldwide. If there are areas that you think we should pay more attention to, please let me know. We can be reached at [actaitalicaorl@rm.unicatt.it](mailto:actaitalicaorl@rm.unicatt.it). We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank you once more! Let's continue our partnership and continue to build Acta Otorhinolaryngologica Italica.

Sincerely,

Gaetano Paludetti

Editor-in-Chief  
Acta Otorhinolaryngologica Italica