## **EDITORIAL NOTE**

## Welcome Note to Prof. Peter Barnes and Dr. Irfan Rahman to Join Tanaffos Journal Editorial Board

We are pleased to inform you that Prof. Peter Barnes from London Imperial College and Dr. Irfan Rahman from University of Rochester accepted our invitation to join the Tanaffos Journal Editorial Board team.

Prof. Peter Barnes is Professor of Thoracic Medicine and Head of Airway Disease at the National Heart and Lung Institute and Honorary Consultant Physician at Royal Brompton Hospital, London.

He has published over 1000 peer-review papers on asthma, COPD and related topics and has edited over 40 books. He is also amongst the top 50 most highly cited researchers in the world and has been the most highly cited clinical scientist in the UK and the most highly cited respiratory researcher in the world during the last 20

years. He was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society in 2007, the first respiratory researcher to gain this position during the last 150 years. He is currently a member of the Scientific Committee of the WHO/NIH global guidelines on asthma (GINA) and COPD (GOLD). He also serves on the Editorial Board of over 30 journals and is currently an Associate Editor of Chest and respiratory Editor of PLoS Medicine.

Dr. Irfan Rahman is Associate Professor of Environmental Medicine at the Department of Environmental Medicine (Lung Biology and Disease Program), University of Rochester Medical Center. He has a dedicated research program to understand the cellular and molecular mechanisms of the pathogenesis of COPD and the potential benefit of therapeutic interventions. He has spent over 18 years studying the lung cellular and molecular responses to inhaled toxicants. Dr Rahman's main research interests include understanding the epigenetics

(chromatin remodeling), NF-KB regulation, and oxidant/antioxidant imbalance in smokers and patients with asthma and COPD as well as cellular and molecular redox mechanisms of lung inflammation, lung cancer and COPD. Dr. Rahman is an author of over 200 publications in internationally renowned peer-reviewed journals, and is invited to write reviews and editorials in journals and chapters in medical text books. Dr. Rahman is an Associate Editor and a member of the editorial boards of several international journals including Experimental Lung Research, American Journal of Physiology, Lung Cellular and Molecular Biology, International Journal of COPD, Respiratory Research, Current Drug Targets, Inflammation and Allergy, Current Respiratory Medicine Reviews, Antioxidants Redox Signaling and The Open Respiratory Medicine Journal. He has been serving on various National Institutes of Health, USA study section rosters since 2005. He is a full faculty member of F1000 Medicine team. We are certain that with the high expertise of the editorial team, the highest quality will be achieved in our publications.

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