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Ting Kai Li, MD Appointed Director of NIAAA

The Research Society on Alcoholism, the International Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism and Lippincott Williams & Wilkins congratulate Dr. Li on his recent appointment as director of the NIH's National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA). Dr. Li began his new duties as Director in November 2002. Because of the demands of his new position, Dr. Li has regretfully had to relinquish his role as Editor of Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research. David W. Crabb, M.D., is serving as Interim Editor until a new Editor is chosen by the Society.

We would like to thank Dr. Li for his valuable contributions as the Editor of Alcoholism. Dr. Li assumed the Editorship of the Journal from Marcus Rothchild, M.D., in 1998. Under Dr. Li's leadership, the journal expanded to monthly publication and began publishing simultaneously in print and online. The Journal is currently ranked number one in impact in the Substance Abuse Category of ISI's Journal Citation Reports, with an impact factor of 2.674. The journal is in sound financial condition and is regarded as the premier journal in the field by researchers worldwide.

We wish Dr. Li great success in his new position and are thankful that he will continue to provide leadership in the alcohol research field.