Guest Editorials

International Psychogeriatrics Editor: Professor Robin Eastwood

It is timely for me to record, on behalf of the IPA, the great debt owed to Robin Eastwood by the IPA with regard to his contribution during his tenure as Editor of the Journal. As I know only too well through my own role in the *International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*, being an editor is a difficult and often thankless task, which Robin has executed with skill and diplomacy throughout his time.

Robin has made a significant impact in terms of the Journal's standing and its position in the field. His inspirational leadership has led to many high-quality papers being submitted and published, which have had a beneficial effect on the treatment and care of older people with mental health problems around the world. His dedication to the task and the time and effort he has expended will be an inspiration to everyone faced with a similar challenge. He combines scientific incisiveness with a transparency and openness that has benefited the Journal, and his many editorial initiatives are to be applauded. He worked hard at maintaining the editorial diversity of the Journal and its administrative offices.

IPA owes a great deal to Robin Eastwood for his role in making the Journal the publication it is today, and it is with great sadness that we mark this issue as being his last one in the role as Editor. We hope and expect that his contributions will continue informally.

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