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Editorial

Welcome to the *Journal of Exotic Pet Medicine*. You will notice with the first issue of 2006 that the former *Seminars in Avian and Exotic Pet Medicine* has a new look, title, contents, and, most importantly, an affiliation as an Official Journal of the Association of Exotic Mammal Veterinarians (AEMV). The most obvious change on the cover is the new name of this journal, the *Journal of Exotic Pet Medicine*. We feel that the new name reflects the diverse species that are treated by today's veterinarian.

Also, on the cover we welcome the AEMV. As an official journal of the AEMV, the *Journal of Exotic Pet Medicine* will publish 2 refereed articles, small mammal article abstracts and news issues related to that veterinary association. This is in addition to the content changes that were initiated in the journal last year. The format of having a guest editor and topic focus will continue. However, there will be articles in forthcoming issues that deviate from the issue focus to cover practice management, clinical techniques, and treatment protocol. In the never ending search for quality information, the *Journal of Exotic Pet Medicine* will be accepting unsolicited manuscripts for review and publication. Please look for the guidelines in forthcoming issues and online at our Elsevier web site. We eagerly anticipate receiving original research papers, case reports, procedure articles, and diagnostic challenges involving species in which there is a paucity of publishing venues. A new team member to help with this increased editorial oversight is Dr. Flo Tseng. Dr. Tseng will continue to

serve as the Associate Editor for the *Journal*, a role she assumed for the last 2 issue of *Seminars in Avian and Exotic Pet Medicine*.

Although many exciting changes are occurring in the *Journal of Exotic Pet Medicine*, you can count on the same practical, in-depth, useful information that is expected from this publication. We are pleased with the "new" journal and look forward to an increased participation by the veterinary community interested in exotic pet medicine. There are additional goals for the future of this publication, including a top priority to increase exposure through popular reference sites, which is an ongoing effort by the Publisher and Editors. As always, the Editors and Editorial Board look for topic suggestions and comments for future issues. We hope to continue to produce a journal that will be beneficial to your exotic pet practice.

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