

### Introducing the Next JACI Co-Editors-in-Chief



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The AAAAI is pleased to introduce Cezmi A. Akdis, MD, FAAAAI, and Zuhair K. Ballas, MD, FAAAAI, as our next JACI Co-Editors-in-Chief.

Both Akdis and Ballas possess national and/or international stature in the field of allergy/immunology, Fellow status in the AAAAI, and experience in journal workings with a vision for taking the JACI to an even greater level of excellence.

Akdis is Director of the Swiss Institute of Allergy and Asthma Research and Christine Kühne – Center for Allergy Research and Education, and a Professor in the Zurich University Medical Faculty. He has been a JACI Associate Editor since 2007, has served on the JACI Editorial Board, and has also been involved on the Editorial Boards of several journals.

Ballas is a professor at the University of Iowa Department of Internal Medicine, where he served as the director of the Immunology Division until August 2014. He is a long-time reviewer for the JACI and several other journals, has previously served on the JACI Editorial Board, and has also served as Associate Editor of the *Journal of Clinical Immunology*.

Having a European-based Editor-in-Chief in addition to a U.S.-based Editor-in-Chief will allow the JACI to further expand its reach across the globe.

Beginning July 1, Akdis and Ballas will serve alongside JACI Editor-in-Chief Donald Y.M. Leung, MD, PhD, FAAAAI, until his term ends on December 31, 2015. The overlap of terms will provide continuity of leadership and facilitate the ongoing and future success of the JACI.