Quality in Primary Care continues to flourish. Last year we received 100 submissions to the journal. These were from the UK (52), Australia and New Zealand (13), Mainland Europe (15), the USA (14) and the Middle East and Asia (6).

Most articles submitted in 2010 were research papers or short reports (55). Other formats were editorials or guest editorials (9), discussion papers (9), articles on quality improvement in action (4), international exchange (3) and patient perspective (1). We have also had regular features such as ‘Quality digest’ (6) and ‘KnowledgeShare’ (3).

We have had two themed issues, including a special issue from Australasia on ‘Ideas, innovation and advances in Australasia’ (guest editor Moyez Jiwa) and one on the ‘UK Quality and Outcomes Framework’ (guest editor Stephen Gillam). The edition reviewing the Quality and Outcomes Framework, with some additional chapters, was published this autumn as a book.¹

New members who have joined the editorial board this year include Laura Serrant-Green, Chris Salisbury, Nicholas Steel and Peter Wilcock. I would like to thank them and all the members of the editorial board for their valuable contributions to the journal.

For articles submitted in 2010, the average time taken for the 56 articles to be published was 169 days from submission to publication – acknowledgement seven days, initial decision 76 days and submission to final decision 100 days. We initially reject around 70% of unsolicited papers, although some of these are published following extensive revision and resubmission. Overall, excluding commissioned articles and editorials, around 60% of papers were accepted or accepted subject to revision.

I would like to thank our peer reviewers who are selected because of recognised expertise in their field and who have freely contributed their time to the journal over the past year. We are indebted to them for the speed and quality of their reviews. A full list of peer reviewers is included below. I would like to thank Natalie Pickles, my editorial assistant and Andrea Hargreaves, journal manager at Radcliffe for their work over the past year.

We look forward to your ongoing contribution and support and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you, our readers and contributors, every success for the next year and beyond.

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