ANNOUNCEMENT

This issue marks a significant milestone for *Psychological Medicine*: an increase to six issues per year. Since its inception the journal has been published quarterly. The early issues were around 100 to 120 pages in size, and there was then a gradual increase through the 1970s and 1980s, culminating in the recent very substantial issues of around 275 pages.

Nevertheless pressures have increased, publication delays are tending to lengthen, but the flow of high quality papers is undiminished. Therefore, from this issue, we will publish six issues per year. There will be a slight reduction in the number of pages per issue, but an increased number of pages over the year which, together with the greater frequency of issues will allow more timely publication of papers after acceptance.

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