

New Biomedical Research journal launches on QScience

QBRI and Bloomsbury Qatar Foundation Journals join forces to publish biomedical journal

Doha, 29 January 2014 – Bloomsbury Qatar Foundation Journals (BQFJ) and Qatar Biomedical Research Institute (QBRI), a member of Qatar Foundation Research and Development (QF R&D), today launched *Advances in Applied Biomedicine*, a new, peer-reviewed, biomedical journal on QScience.com, the digital publishing portal for academic research journals.

The journal publishes original research, reviews and editorials, and will also publish occasional thematic issues focusing on one aspect of translational biotechnology. It offers a unique opportunity for researchers, conducting multidisciplinary biomedical research that goes beyond the traditional borders of basic research and applied research, to have their work published. The journal's editors give special consideration to articles that demonstrate a blend of basic and applied research expertise (translational and clinical). The journal's content is 'open access', meaning it is free to read online and authors retain copyright of their work.

Dr Abdelali Haoudi, Executive Director of QBRI, is the founder and editor-in-chief of *Advances in Applied Biomedicine*. "The journal publishes basic and applied research reports with a special focus on translational research in biomedicine and biotechnology," said Dr Haoudi. "A special focus will be given to reports and articles addressing innovative aspects in personalised and precision medicine. In addition, there will be a range of specialised content including product development, toxicology studies, quality systems, clinical trial support, intellectual property, and regulatory compliance, among other subjects," he added.

The launch of the journal is an important step in QF R&D and QBRI's mission to impact the global research community by encouraging multidisciplinary research and demonstrating its effectiveness.

Arend Küster, Managing Director of Bloomsbury Qatar Foundation Journals, said: "We are excited to be launching *Advances in Applied Biomedicine*, as it fills a unique niche by highlighting collaborative, cross-cutting biomedical research. Biomedical research and technologies are constantly evolving, and we are hoping that this journal will further research and provide a platform for scholarly discourse and discussion."

He added: “It is critically important that breakthroughs in biomedical research are available to all quickly, so the journal’s open access policy is a big plus for researchers around the world. This partnership between QScience and QBRI will have wide-ranging impact for many years to come.”

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About Qatar Biomedical Research Institute (QBRI)

A proud member of Qatar Foundation Research and Development, Qatar Biomedical Research Institute (QBRI) was established in 2012 to tackle diseases of major worldwide importance (and particularly prevalent in Qatar and the Middle East) such as diabetes and certain forms of cancer. QBRI has a specific focus on developing translational biomedical research and biotechnology. To fulfil its mission, QBRI has set up eight cutting-edge research centers: Stem Cell and Regenerative Medicine Research Center, Genomic Medicine and Systems Biology Research Center, Gene-based Therapy Research Center, Biomedical Engineering Research Center, Diabetes Research Center, Cancer Research Center, Genetic Diseases Research Center, and the Qatar Biobank.

About Qatar Foundation Research and Development (QF R&D)

Leading Qatar’s vision to become an international center for research and development excellence and innovation, QF R&D is home to the Qatar Science & Technology Park (QSTP), a world-class hub for technology innovation and commercialisation, as well as the Qatar National Research Fund (QNRF), a globally renowned scientific research funding organisation, and prominent research institutes operating at the frontiers of science, including Qatar Biomedical Research Institute (QBRI), Qatar Computing Research Institute (QCRI), and Qatar Environment and Energy Research Institute (QEERI).

About QScience.com

Launched in December 2010, QScience.com is a peer-reviewed online publishing platform that offers a unique and collaborative research environment for scientists in Qatar and the rest of the world. This new platform publishes a range of peer reviewed, high quality, open access journals, databases, and repositories which adhere to international publishing standards.

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Bloomsbury Publishing Plc is one of the world's leading independent publishers. BQFJ is its second partnership with Qatar Foundation, the first being Bloomsbury Qatar Foundation Publishing, whose book publishing program was launched in April 2010.

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