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Advances in treatment have facilitated the diagnosis and treatment of most cardiac disorders. However, heart failure (HF) is an exception; its prevalence is increasing, and the effect of medical therapy to improve patient survival remains limited, especially in those with HF and preserved ejection fraction. Currently, more than 26 million individuals suffer from HF worldwide, and it is the leading cause of hospitalization and deaths. This results in tremendous social and economic burden, and poses a challenge to healthcare providers in all aspects of practice. Various conditions via unknown pathological mechanisms complicate HF. In addition, the mechanisms of progression of HF remain poorly understood.

A method of interaction and communication for the understanding, prevention, diagnosis, and management of HF is essential. Hence, it is crucial to establish a premier journal for communication between researchers and caregivers in the field of HF. The *International Journal of Heart Failure* and its editors, along with clinicians and scientists endeavoring to reduce this burden of HF, will contribute to the resolution of HF through meaningful and appropriate academic exchanges.