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Dear Authors and Readers,

I am proudly to announce that from 2021 Acta Biomedica (ABM) will be published bi-monthly. This means that we will have 6 issues per year (instead of the current 4 issues) to satisfy the growing number of submissions and to shorten the publication times. But this is not the only news.

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I am confident that all of you will share these decisions and will continue to support with your scientific papers the further growth of ABM.

I take the opportunity to send, on behalf of Publisher, Associate Editors and the entire Editorial Staff, my warmest greetings and best wishes for good health and fruitful mutual work.

Maurizio Vanelli Editor-in-Chief