

Environmental Epidemiology at Three: No More a Toddler

We want to share with you a celebratory letter written by Editor-in-Chief of Environmental Epidemiology Bert Brunekreef, PhD, Professor of Environmental Epidemiology at Utrecht University, The Netherlands, and past president of ISEE:

Environmental Epidemiology has celebrated its third birthday, and I am happy to report the journal is alive and kicking. We quickly moved from two issues in 2017, four in 2018 to six in 2019 and 2020. Well over one hundred papers have been published, covering a very wide range of environmental epidemiology topics. A large majority of these papers have been submitted by ISEE members, showing that the ISEE membership clearly recognizes the journal as a prime channel for publishing key findings. A 2019 supplement contains all abstracts of the 31st ISEE annual conference held in Utrecht, the Netherlands. A second supplement is in preparation, describing in detail a very large collection of linked EXPOSOME studies all funded by the European Community.

Being an open-access journal, Environmental Epidemiology charges an author fee, which is less for ISEE members than for non-members. The publisher offers a limited number of fee waivers for authors who cannot afford the fee, and for ISEE sponsored commentaries. Spread the word, because these waivers so far have not been asked for much, even though they have been mentioned in the Instructions for Authors from the very beginning.

Environmental Epidemiology is a sister journal of Epidemiology, with which it shares a common editorial policy. Both journals are 'Official Journals' of the ISEE, and serve as major vehicles for disseminating ISEE viewpoints, and environmental epidemiology research papers produced by ISEE members and non-members.

I encourage all ISEE members, and especially members from the regional chapters in Latin America, Asia and Africa to submit your work to the journal. We are in the process of getting indexed by SCOPUS, PMC, Medline and Web of Science. These accreditations take time, but once achieved, all content will become visible from the very first issues to the last. We also anticipate the journal to receive an impact factor in the next one or two years.