



EDITOR'S NOTE – About This Supplement

In 2011, the National Academy of Medicine of Korea organized an academic forum, entitled “Salt and Health” in collaboration with the Research Institute of Salt and Health and the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety. After the forum, national campaigns began in order to increase public awareness of health hazards due to high salt intake and also to encourage low salt intake. The forum stressed definitely that reduced salt intake is essential to reduce incidence of cardiovascular diseases.

This supplementary issue of the *Journal of Korean Medical Science* is entitled “Salt and Health,” which introduces the presented or discussed topics by experts at the forum and research articles on the role of hemeoxygenase-1 and bilirubin. I hope this issue will contribute scientifically to the global academic field of salt-related diseases. I appreciate Dr. Suhnggwon Kim and Dr. Ho Jun Chin for their professional role as Guest Editor and all of authors of articles in this issue for their scholarly contribution as specialists.

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