In the early 1950s, Federigo Sicuteri, professor of clinical pharmacology, following the indication of his mentor, Enrico Greppi, professor of internal medicine, started a modern Italian investigation and clinical unit exclusively dedicated to headache medicine at the Careggi Hospital of the University of Florence. Soon, other colleagues – mostly but not exclusively neurologists – joined these pioneers and founded in 1976 the Italian Society for the Study of Headaches (Società Italiana per lo Studio delle Cefalee, SISC).

Among these visionary clinicians and scientists, Giuseppe Nappi, professor of neurology at the University of Pavia, spearheaded a series of projects that began at the Neurological Institute 'Casimiro Mondino' and extended throughout Italy and beyond. The journal Confinia Cephalalgica, is one of the many outstanding initiatives promoted by Giuseppe Nappi that for more than 30 years has covered many topics and principally those dedicated to the advancements of neurology in the field of pain and headaches primarily from a historical point of view.

This year, SISC has decided to boost the long-lasting experience and impact of Confinia Cephalalgica, by choosing it as the official journal of the Society. Confinia Cephalalgica is a peer-reviewed open access journal, that focuses on publishing articles related to various aspects of headache medicine, including genetics, pathophysiology, diagnosis, imaging, management, epidemiology, pharmacology, and treatment. It covers both primary and secondary headaches, as well as other facial pains and their connections with systemic diseases.

Confinia Cephalalgica highlights the historical context of scientific advancements in headache medicine, particularly the recent innovative investigations and their impact on migraine treatment. The journal aims to stay updated with rapidly evolving areas of medicine, such as digital health, gender medicine, and artificial intelligence, as applied to the field of headache. The journal publishes quarterly issues containing various types of articles, including original and review articles, case reports, short communications, letters to the editor and pros and cons*articles discussing controversial basic and clinical issues.

Confinia Cephalalgica has the overarching goal to serve as a forum for scientists and clinicians dedicated to headache medicine, and I believe that with the support of the Deputy Editors, Gianluca Coppola and Antonio Russo and of an outstanding Editorial Board we can succeed in this task.

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