



**Proposal for the affiliation of the**

**ILCCO Consortium on Lung Cancer Epidemiology**

**with**

**Lung Cancer**

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## 1 Introduction

Elsevier would strongly welcome a formal affiliation between Lung Cancer and the ILCCO Consortium on Lung Cancer Epidemiology (“the Consortium”) and believes that there are significant advantages to both Parties from such an affiliation being developed. This document provides background information about Lung Cancer, outlines the details of the affiliation and clarifies the responsibilities of the Consortium and Elsevier.

## 2 The Journal

- *Lung Cancer* is now in its 66th successful volume and is an internationally recognised journal attracting increasing paper submissions each year
- The journal is edited by Professor Rolf Stahel and he is supported by a board of Associate Editors: P Boffetta, M Edelman, H Kindler, T Mistsudomi, A Price and H Wada. The journal also has an extensive editorial board consisting of key individuals based throughout the world.
- The impact factor of Lung Cancer for the last three years is as follows:

2006 impact factor	3.554	rank 46/127
2007 impact factor	3.455	rank 48/132
2008 impact factor	2.970	rank 63/143

## 3 The Proposal

It is proposed that the Consortium adopts Lung Cancer as its official publication and in return would enjoy the following benefits:

- The logo of the Consortium would be printed on the front cover of Lung Cancer
- Up to 3 pages per year will be available to the Consortium for publication of relevant news and announcements
- One nominated representative would be appointed to join the editorial board for the journal and would therefore be invited to attend the annual editorial board
- The Consortium may nominate individuals to join the panel of peer reviewers for Lung Cancer
- A link from the homepage of Lung Cancer would be made to the website of the Consortium
- For each issue, an “Article of the Month” will be selected and this article will be sent to the Consortium (as a PDF file) to be placed on their website within the member restricted area.

The initial term of this Agreement would be for three years.

## 4 Responsibilities of Elsevier

- To be the sole owner of the copyright, content and title.
- To appoint the Editors of the Journal
- To produce, sell and distribute the Journal
- To appoint a Publisher for regular contact with the Consortium
- To market and promote the Journal
- To set the institutional rates to the Journal
- To sell display advertising in the Journal
- To promote the Consortium by placing the logo on the Journal cover, on the Journal’s website and on all promotional mailings sent out for the Journal.

## 5 Responsibilities of the Consortium

- To promote and communicate the affiliation to the individuals associated with the Consortium
- To encourage these individuals to support the Journal by submitting papers for publication
- To offer Elsevier the opportunity to promote Lung Cancer at the any meetings organised by the Consortium

## **6 Conclusion**

A formal affiliation to an international journal will help to raise the profile of the Consortium internationally and will serve as a means of attracting individuals to become more involved with the organisation. We hope that the Officers of the Consortium view this proposal favourably and look forward to discussing the contents of this document in more detail.