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Dear Readers,

We are indeed very happy to inform you that the Bombay Hospital Journal has now adopted an online submission and processing system and the total workflow from now on will be on the electronic platform. The journal has been included in the Index Copernicus.

The Bombay Hospital Journal, a quarterly peer reviewed publication, has had a long record of publishing quality scientific material for over 40 years. What started initially as a private circulation for members of the hospital and general practitioners soon became more and more popular with the efforts of successive editors, particularly during the long tenure of Professor O. P. Kapoor. The journal is widely read and appreciated by various sections of the medical fraternity. It covers all branches of medicine and surgery and the various subspecialties and accepts reviews, viewpoints, original articles, short reports, and case studies. BHJ also publishes some special issues from time to time, dedicated to a single specialty.

On this new platform, the electronic submissions will be easier for authors and the visibility of the manuscripts will increase. The processing time and the publication time will also reduce. The journal will provide a DOI to accepted manuscripts which are awaiting publication. The Bombay Hospital Journal remains an open access journal. Our endeavor being promotion of academics, we provide and will continue to provide free processing of quality medical manuscripts.

Along with this change of platform, working and shaping hands have also changed and you will find a new editor taking over from Dr. O P Kapoor, a new associate editor, Dr. Inder Talwar and expansion of the editorial board. Bombay Hospital Institute of Medical Sciences (BHIMS) has a rich resource of faculty members who are teachers affiliated to the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences. The institute holds postgraduate training programs for various MD, MS, DM, MCh programs affiliated to the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, and some DNB programs as well. All the heads of the departments at BHIMS have kindly agreed to be on the editorial board to further improve the scientific

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standards of the Bombay Hospital Journal, along with other enthusiastic board members.

Our dynamic chairman Shri Bharat Kumar Taparia has been very supportive, has promoted this venture fully and we are indeed thankful to him. Our medical director, Dr. R. V. Patil has taken keen interest in the current transition of the journal toward the modern platform and has kindly agreed to be involved in the editorial process.

The journal is being handled on this format by the INS publishers and we would particularly like to thank Mr. Abhinav Kumar for his tireless efforts in creating this user friendly platform.

I would like to share with you is that the journal has been approved by Index Copernicus (IC value 84.01) which, as you know, is the requirement for the Medical Council of India for approval of manuscripts. It is also included in the Google Scholar. You will be happy to know that the Research Gate has given it an RG impact factor of 0.50 for this year. With these developments, we are confident that the journal will appeal to a wider authorship and readership.

We encourage you to submit your manuscripts to the Bombay Hospital Journal. We do hope that you like the new format, enjoy the scientific material and I am sure that the BHJ will continue to enjoy your patronage.

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