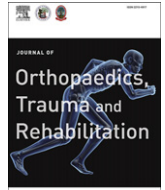




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## Editorial

### The Road Ahead

The end of one journey marks the beginning of another. Time flies. It has already been four years since the formation of the current editorial board of this journal.

Under the leadership of our editor-in-chief, Dr Yuen-fai Leung, the *Journal of Orthopaedics, Trauma and Rehabilitation (JOTR)* has survived all obstacles and adverse conditions. Since December 2010, under the new *JOTR* format we were able to deliver copies to our members on time. Despite problems arising from time to time and thanks to the concerted effort of the editorial board and supporting staff, the delivery of the journal has been running smoothly. I must thank the tremendous support of our colleagues and readers in the past three years. Without your enthusiasm, we could not enjoy success today.

We received countless submissions locally and from around the globe. Some submissions were of high quality, including original research studies. At this point, I would like to thank all reviewers for sacrificing their precious time to help us select a few submissions for publication from the huge pool of submissions.

We regrettably could only commit two issues annually. As a consequence, we were forced to reject many good articles. I would like to apologise to those authors who had their hard work denied by us. I sincerely hope this will not discourage you from submitting to us in the future—the next stage of the journal's development will be to publish more issues yearly. For those authors that have been accepted, plenty are queuing up to be published. You can always find them through our website as a preemptive version.

The *JOTR* has progressed well and has successfully gained four international indices: ScienceDirect, SCOPUS, EMBASE, and SIIC Data Bases. The web-based platform for all submissions, editing, and reviewing has also been established with help from our publisher, Elsevier.

You can now view the *JOTR* website at [www.e-jotr.com](http://www.e-jotr.com) and [www.ejotr.org](http://www.ejotr.org). For the establishment of our electronic platform, submit articles online to *JOTR* through the Elsevier editorial system (EES) at <http://ees.elsevier.com/jotr>. Credits should go to our e-editors Dr Raymond Wong and Dr Siu-Bon Woo.

It is now time for us to hand over the job to some new blood. This is very important for this journal to remain sustainable. I believe there are always capable and dedicated people who are willing to contribute. The injection of new ideas and thinking will certainly make the journal more prosperous with time.

I enjoyed very much working with the editorial board. What I learned from my experience with *JOTR* will be lifelong. I am sure this is also true for other editorial members. Finally, thanks for all your support in the past years. I pledge continued commitment in supporting our new era in the development of the journal in the future.

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