

Editorial

Launching of American Journal of Clinical and Experimental Urology

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With the enthusiastic participation and strong support of our Editorial Board Members and authors, and after nearly six months of planning and preparation, we are pleased to announce that the *American Journal of Clinical and Experimental Urology* (www.ajceu.us) is now officially launched with the publication of this inaugural issue.

Urology, as one of the major specialties in medicine, covers the broad spectrum of diseases of the human genitourinary tract in both basic research and clinical arenas. With the growing number of patients needing urologic care, it becomes increasingly urgent for the research community and clinicians to efficiently identify optimal management strategies. Rapid, barrier-free dissemination of new ideas and research findings from both experimental and clinical studies will certainly improve the efficiency of the research community in these relevant fields and greatly accelerate the process of developing new therapies that impact urologic cancers and various developmental, structural, and functional diseases of urinary tract.

Advances in communication and networking technologies have fundamentally changed the way that research discoveries are distributed; and open access publications have greatly facilitated access to important scholarly articles anytime, anywhere within both the research community and clinical realm. The goal of launching this new journal is to promote efficient knowledge exchange within all the sub-specialties of genitourinary medicine, encom-

passing both neoplastic and non-neoplastic conditions. Though named as the American Journal of Clinical and Experimental Urology, we welcome contributions from around the world as reflected in our effort to include international representation on the editorial board. We wish to provide urologic clinicians and researchers a rapid publication and communication platform while maintaining the highest possible scientific excellence that matches or exceeds the high quality that we have enjoyed from traditional paper journals for decades.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our editorial board members and authors for your enthusiastic participation and strong support to make this new journal possible. We also would like to invite all of our qualified colleagues to join our editorial boards and participate in this effort by contributing manuscripts to this new journal. With your participation and support we are confident that AJCEU will become a very influential vehicle for rapidly disseminating new knowledge of importance to our field.

This journal will provide a new resource for timely publication of quality research in adult and pediatric urology from both the clinic and the laboratory-(AJCE) Urology Rocks!

Martha K Terris

The launch of this journal is timely and it will strongly stimulate exchange of research ideas in urology and significantly impact the field.

Zhou Wang

The Editors are committed to transparent and fair review of all submitted manuscripts and will provide constructive feedback to authors.

Zoran Culig

Urology is a field that fully embraces the creative process and applies new technologies as they arise to meet clinical and research challenges. This new journal provides a platform for efficient communication to keep pace with such a rapidly developing field.

Christian O Twiss

I strongly believe in the provocative ideas promoting science and medicine. Hopefully this new journal will be a platform for such ideas, to be tested right or wrong in future.

Peng Lee

This Journal will serve as a focal point and communication hub for integrating basic, translational and clinical research that advances our knowledge and treatment of urological diseases.

Pete S Nelson