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HOD of Medicine of all Medical Colleges and all Research minded Physicians

Dear Sir/Madam

At the outset greetings from the Journal of Internal Medicine, Research, Reviews, Reports, an official publication of the Association of Physicians of India, Karnataka Chapter. Bengaluru

You being the Head of the department of Internal Medicine, very well know the value of good research, not only to upgrade one 'selves but also to come up in the department by your subordinate staff. The dictum is "Either publish or perish". There are umpteen numbers of journals, indexed, non indexed, International, National etc, but it has become quite difficult to publish one's own work in a good journal as it may not accept our work or demand huge sums of money for publication. It may take years to get an article published and by that time the article might have lost all the relevance. There are any numbers of online paid journals, who have made publication as a business and how long they last is anybody's guess.

In this context, having our own journal, which is published to international standards, peer reviewed and indexed , to publish our research assumes importance. We had the journal for the past 20 years in the name of' Karnataka Medical Journal "and" Karnataka Journal of Medical Sciences" and its editors toiled very hard to get the articles, which were very hard to come by, because nobody wanted their articles published in a non indexed journal. Nobody gave a thought that if standard articles are not published that too regularly, how can the journal be indexed? Journal of Internal Medicine which started 3 years ago, could not take off due to the same reason.

This year API Karnataka chapter decided to have a standard journal, published to international standards, peer reviewed to publish the research work of our esteemed members in particular and others in general and reconstituted the Editorial board with a Editor-in-chief and Six Editors, and Editorial Advisory Board having twenty eminent medical scientists of different specialties of our state along with more than twenty reviewers who are researchers of repute.

The journal invites original articles, Review articles, Short articles, Pictorial CME, Case reports, ECG, ECHO and X-ray of the quarter, Students corner, CPC discussion, journal article review, correspondence from its members, all strictly according to ICMJE guidelines. The guidelines for the on-line submission of articles will be in the official website of the association, in the JIM3R section. All articles will be peer reviewed. We have the intention of getting the journal indexed in the next two years, provided we receive your whole hearted support in the form of articles. Once the journal gets indexed, the articles published prior to it will also be considered as published in the indexed journal itself.

Now is the time for you, your colleagues and your students to support us to see that the journal becomes a prestigious journal in India and it should be a matter of pride to get the articles published in our journal. We request you to send your original research along with contributions to the other sections relentlessly so that we should have plenty to publish. We assure you to maintain the highest ethical standards and try to publish in time every time.

Yours truly

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