

EDITORIAL

JIM — a Step Forward

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The Journal of Interdisciplinary Medicine (JIM) is a new journal that has been created by a group of European researchers and healthcare specialists, in an attempt to provide the opportunity to share the current expertise and scientific achievements between the members of a large family of researchers and medical practitioners.

The publication of scientific results is nowadays mandatory for the recognition of a researcher's achievements and the Journal of Interdisciplinary Medicine aims to respond to this need, based on a highly flexible, dynamic and high quality editorial process, within the timeframe of 10 days between article submission and first editorial decision.

Writing a manuscript is not an easy task and choosing the most appropriate journal for publication of research results could be sometimes challenging. Without interfering with other journals that are based on similar approaches, JIM will be focused on manuscripts with a strong interdisciplinary nature, as the aim of the journal is to create a bridge, on European level, between different disciplines.

Two years ago, when I was nominated as Managing Editor of another journal published in Romania, I stated in a highlight that the journal, "like any beauty, could be subject to jealousy and could be exposed to storms, but in the end, like in the Greek legend of the goddess of beauty, the red blood of Adonis will turn into the red roses of Aphrodite — a symbol of love, peace and friendship".¹ This statement is also valid for the Journal of Interdisciplinary Medicine, a journal representing at the same time a significant step forward, as a symbol of cooperation between disciplines based on independency, honesty and professionalism.

JIM — THE POWER OF KNOWLEDGE

Nowadays, knowledge became the real power that can lead to progress. Therefore it requires great responsibility and guidance in order to make sure that this power is used for the achievement of real values, based on professionalism. JIM editors will take this responsibility and will pay careful attention to share and disseminate real knowledge, the kind that can lead to a sustainable development in the benefit of the entire academic community. As a reflection of the power of knowledge, JIM will prove that nothing can stop the real professionalism from its development. At the same time, I hope that the long-term evolution of this new journal will reveal the real dimension of its quality, aiming not only to attract value but most important, to maintain it!

JIM — RESPECT FOR SCIENTIFIC AND ACADEMIC VALUES

As a medical journal, JIM will respect the publication standards stated by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)² and by the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE).³

The editorial team of JIM is committed to ensure high quality standards for the scientific activity published in JIM. We will respect our commitment, and I would like to thank especially those who will do the same, showing in this way respect for scientific values and for their own academic profile as well.

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