

A New Beginning



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t is my privilege to accept the position of Editor-in Chief of the American Journal of Interventional Radiology (AJIR) (Americanjir.com). The way we communicate has changed, and the medical publishing world has changed along with it. The days of submitting double space-typed manuscripts and glossy pictures are long over. In keeping with current trends, we have decided to be an online journal with rapid turnaround time for the submitted manuscripts. Our target is to get the article peer reviewed and published within 6 weeks of submission.

I am very excited to work with highly talented and experienced editorial board members from around the world who bring an international flavor to the AJIR. The task of running AJIR would not be possible without the able assistance of my associate editor Dr. Butani. I extend a very hearty and warm welcome to him.

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to be freely downloaded without the need for any society affiliations anywhere in the world. There are approximately 3100 interventional radiologists in the United States. Our goal is to extend the field of IR beyond this and establish a global presence by introducing the field in countries without a current presence, inspiring, and motivating individuals to spearhead IR in these locales.

AJIR will be the medium through which we plan to make the sharing of new developments in radiology simple, convenient, and most importantly, current. Needless to say, it is our foremost hope that the spread of AJIR readership and knowledge exchange process will lead to true advances in the field of IR and its practical applications. We shall endeavor to present all aspects of this exciting science of IR, and all its evolving subspecialties, such as interventional oncology and pediatric IR, in a manner that practitioners can comprehend and translate it into practice, leading to better health for all.

AJIR will strictly follow and adhere to the international guidelines and the code of conduct set for medical publications.

AJIR will accept articles in the following categories – original research, review articles, technical innovations, pictorial essays, case reports, radiologic/interventional/surgical correlation, patient care, practice management, and education and letters to the editor. We are open to new and novel ideas from our readers and will welcome any suggestions that will go to make AJIR more comprehensive and a leader in its field.

I look forward with enthusiasm to sharing and exchanging ideas, thoughts, and information with each and every one of you.

With Best Wishes,

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