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Editorial

The latest impact factor for Journal of Dermatological Science is now 2.97!



The updated Impact Factor for Journal of Dermatological Science (JDS) was recently released and the journal is now ranked 8th out of the 43 journals listed in the Dermatology category. The journal's Impact Factor has been consistently increasing from 1.6 (2003), to 1.5 (2004), 2.0 (2005), 2.6 (2006), 2.5 (2007), and most recently to 2.97 (2008). The number of submitted manuscripts has also consistently increased from 154 (2003) to 305 (2007), 374 (2008), and by the end of July 2009 we had already received 208. The number of submitted manuscripts in 2008 was 30% higher than that in 2007. So far in 2009, the JDS office has received a similar number of submissions. I have decided to publish 20% more papers in 2009 with a new format because the scientific quality of recently submitted manuscripts has also increased.

I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK YOU to the authors and readers for recognizing the high-quality content published in JDS. JDS is the official journal of the Japanese Society for Investigative Dermatology (JSID), comprising more than 1200 scientifically active members. The main goal of JDS is to expand

dermatology research and enhance the global communication of this research. The JDS office is geographically based in Asia, but it provides an important avenue through which JSID can become more visible to cutaneous researchers and dermatologists throughout the world.

Members of the JSID receive a complimentary JDS subscription, with both print and online services. The membership fee is only 15,000 yen. If you are interested in becoming a member of JSID, please see the JSID website at <http://www.jsid.org/english/index.html>. If you are not a JSID member, the personal annual subscription price for non-members is currently 26,400 yen (2009 in Japan), a price set to make JDS more accessible.

Your continued input and effort to help further develop our journal, thus expanding the global communication of cutaneous biology and dermatology research, is highly appreciated. I look forward to receiving more of your interesting and high-quality research articles in the near future.

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