A quick look back - 2010 journal resume

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ABSTRACT

This is a quick retrospective view back to the year 2010, summarizing the journal's experience and demonstrating submission statistics of the Journal of Radiology Case Reports.

EDITORIAL

The year 2010 was not only exciting but topped again all of our expectations. We are thrilled to announce more good news this year:

The Journal of Radiology Case Reports (JRCR) has been accepted by the National Library of Medicine (NLM) to be indexed in Medline and PubMed. Previously published articles will also be indexed in these prestigious literature indexing databases.

The Journal of Radiology Case Reports has been ranked with an index of ICV=5.25 the third highest of all indexed Radiology journals in the Index Copernicus Journal Master List 2008. This has even improved in the year 2009 and the JRCR has increased further its ranking index to ICV=5.63.

The Journal of Radiology Case Report has been indexed in several other scientific literature databases, including Scientific Commons, Index Copernicus, OAIster, Open J-Gate, Google Scholar, Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), Elsevier's Scopus and Embase literature databases and more.

We further raised our submission standards to emphasize the journal's educational goal, and also added more features into the journal's website. In example the *MCQs* (*multiple choice questions*) from selected published articles are now displayed on the *JRCR* homepage. The *Teaching Point* has been already implemented the year before. These features are some reasons why this journal excels from other "traditional" journals [1].

Furthermore, the *JRCR* is expanding the collaboration and shares the journal contents and educational material with *Radiolopolis*, an international Radiology community for education, research and practice [2].

The *JRCR* and *Radiolopolis* share their forces and educational contents with a large international Radiology audience of meanwhile over 5000 Radiology professionals.

Beside the implementation of the interactive articles into *Radiolopolis* [1], a new feature, the educational tables, are now also shared with this large educational community and exposed to a growing medical audience. The tables are a new requirement for article submission and display summaries and differential diagnoses for the respective article topics [3]. These tables can be downloaded separately and used for external teaching purposes.

The popular interactive viewing mode of our articles has been further improved in 2010: The navigation became easier with an improved toolbar, which is visible in the right lower corner of the image. The image stack upload speed has also increased.

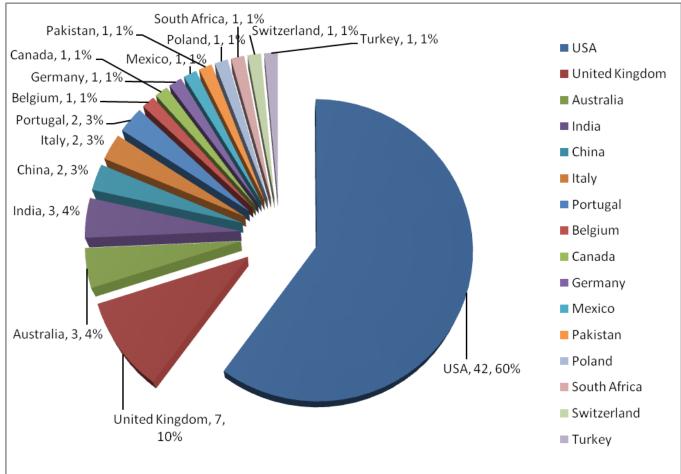
The JRCR played its debut in July 2008 with only 6 issues published that year – with the submissions rate tripled in 2010. The submission rate went up from 121 to 306 in 2009 which could be even topped in 2010 with 366 submissions. The amount of published papers went up from 31 in 2008 to 79 in 2009 which stayed about the same in 2010 with 70 published articles.

With 366 submissions within one year, we receive literally one new manuscript each day!

And as last year, we are especially pleased that not only our editorial team consists of international colleagues but that the submitting authors come from all over the world. On the following page you may find the 2010 statistics about the journal, manuscript submissions and publications.

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Graph 1: Manuscript submissions to the Journal of Radiology Case Reports in 2010, sorted by countries of first authors. The majority of manuscripts came from the United States (42.6%), followed by the United Kingdom (10%) and Australia and India (each 3.4%).

Issues published in 2010: 12 70 articles published Accepted after first review: 5 (7.1%) Accepted after revision: 65 (92.9%)

Total of submitted articles: 366 Accepted: 89 (24.39%) Revisions required: 107 (29.2%) Resubmit: 74 (20.2%) Declined: 38 (10.4%) Currently under review: 58 (15.8%)

Average days to review: 14 Average days to publication: 49

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