

The journal, *Euroasian Journal of Hepato-Gastroenterology*, has passed uninterrupted publication of 10 years. At the same time, we have passed more than 18 months of COVID-19-related turmoil. With hundreds of millions of SARS-CoV-2 infections and millions of deaths due to COVID-19, the authors, reviewers, publishers, and all-related to the journal have passed a period of extreme uncertainty, different forms of personal loss (direct and indirect), social injuries, and mental stresses. Still, the exit from the effects of SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 is far from our visibility. This is not a period of relief, rather we share the sorrows of all of the globe and hope to move forward.

The Journal has received a solid scientific standing following 10 years of continual publication. Along with advancement of the Journal, there are also several responsibilities from our part. The Journal is published twice now and this should be increased as several articles are submitted to the Journal. Although the article published in our Journal and is visible in PubMed and many other indexing sources, we are now working hard to have an impact factor for the Journal. From January 2022, the Publisher will start an Article Processing Charge (APC) for the accepted articles. In fact, several parameters are related to increase the impact of a journal. It should get sound scientific papers and for which the authors would look if this in PubMed and is endowed with impact factors. In order to the accomplish these activities and to increase scientific merit of the published articles, we need a group of dedicated reviewers and financial support. These induced the starting of introduction of APC system to get a constant finance for the development of the Journal. Compared to other journal, the APC has been kept to a minimum, US Dollar 200 per article after acceptance. This is not only a fee but it is also participation of the authors in journal publication system.

Due to outbreak of COVID-19, various parties related to publication of the Journal could not meet together. An urgent meeting would be possible soon to streamline the production of the Journal. The entire activities are devoted to improve the impact of the Journal to international levels.

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