

## Editorial

It is heartening to see the overwhelming response and appreciation from among the dental fraternity to the first print issue of Journal of Orofacial Research.

There are innumerable journals which are documenting the data on various subjects. Journals are the rich ocean of knowledge. Sharing and spreading of knowledge always results in bringing best quality among the teachers, clinicians and learners. With the availability of high technology and media, the data can be accessed from any part with a click.

Learners and research workers of today are very fortunate to have these facilities and the facilities shall be put to maximum use to bring out the best results in their research. These facilities of sharing data and knowledge also have inherent drawback of misuse by certain scrupulous workers. Sometimes it is found that the new research work is presented on the basis of old work by copying the contents in whole or in part.

Thus, quality of work suffers and the true purpose of research work and documentation of data also loses its value.

There is no doubt the data from old literature is very vital to review the present scenario with old in various aspects of dental and medical healthcare. The old data shall be used to review the status and to conduct new research on unexplored aspects.

There have been request to make the online edition as free open access. I do agree that this will help the innumerable research workers. At present all the old online issues of JOFR are free and open access. Only the current issue remains inaccessible for free.



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