

Editorial

The Launch of A New Intellectual Journey In Spine Care

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On behalf of the editorial board, I am pleased to announce the launch of the official journal of the Saudi Spine Society, the *Journal of Spine Practice (JSP)*, an international peer-reviewed, open access, academic, multidisciplinary, and interdisciplinary journal that encompasses every aspect of spine care and research.

Our goal is to see *JSP* grow into a space for multidisciplinary scholarly dialogue among spine practitioners to showcase their clinical research, basic science research, health services research, economic analysis, health professionals education, as well as evidence-based statements and guidelines. *JSP* aims to promote excellence in spine care and produce a significant academic contribution to the field.

Our vision is to produce and publish a journal that sits within the top ten, globally, in the field. We seek to promote excellence in spine care by creating an engaging collaborative forum for spine practitioners, encouraging and empowering them to produce and practice evidence-based spine care. In the process, we aim to ensure the best quality of the published research, the efficiency of editorial process, and the reader experience.

The peer-reviewed journal will be published 3 times a year, and will accept research from several spine fields, including orthopedic spine surgery, neurosurgery, diagnostic and interventional radiology, anesthesia and pain management, physical medicine and rehabilitation, neurology and neurophysiology, spine rheumatology, physical therapy, chiropractic, and alternative medicine, in addition to other related disciplines. In addition, we accept submissions covering spine-related research in anatomy, biomechanics, and genetics. We encourage original research, systematic reviews, metanalyses, and Evidence-Based Synopsis. We also publish unique case reports, clinical Image Challenge, special communications, technical reports, commentary, and letters to the editor with significant new knowledge.

We would like to extend our thanks to the Saudi Spine Society for supporting this journal. We intend to play a role in communication and academic exchange, furthering the discussion of evidence-based spinal care by researchers and medical practitioners across the world.

We are pleased to have Professor Jeffery Wang, the Professor of Orthopedic Surgery and Neurosurgery USC Spine Center in Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California, and the former president of North American Spine Society, as the guest editor of this inaugural issue. This issue also includes the proceedings of the 5th annual meeting of the Saudi Spine Society.

Finally, I would like to proudly declare that the *Journal of Spine Practice* represents the foundation of a new intellectual journey in interdisciplinary and interprofessional spine care and practice.



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