

Editorial Message

In 2010, we had a total number of website hits of 2,542,439 with a monthly average of 190,396. We received a total of 173 manuscripts, with a monthly average of 15 and an average rejection rate of 55%. From these, we published a total of 77 articles, totaling 313 pages for the entire volume. Thirty-two percent of these were original articles. Sixty-seven percent of published articles were from the Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMR), with 28.5% from KSA, 2.5% from the Gulf, and 35% from other Arab and EMR countries. The remaining 33% of published articles we received from Australia, China, India, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The average time from received to acceptance of original articles was 3.9 months and 2.7 months for acceptance to publication. Reasons for rejection included unrelated topics, poor content, not meeting the requirements of the journal, authors failing to submit revisions and other necessary requirements, and duplicate publication.

We would like to thank the Editorial and Advisory Board Members for their significant contribution to maintain the standards of Neuroscience and looking forward to their important continued role in achieving our goals for 2011.

In 2010, we had the objective of achieving journal indexing by the National Library of Medicine, (MEDLINE and PubMed). We worked hard to maintain high quality publications and continuous educational material, including multiple choice questions, highlights from international neuroscience meetings and symposia, review articles, and clinical quizzes. In July 2010 we received the wonderful news that Neurosciences had been selected to be indexed and included in MEDLINE, and that the English abstracts will be included and searchable using PubMed. We have already started sending the back issues, and currently abstracts are available from 2008, and we plan to include all abstracts dating back to 2000 in the coming few months. Following indexing, over the next few years we expect to see a significant increase in the volume of articles submitted to the journal.

For 2011, we hope to continue our high standard of quality publications by following our strict criteria for acceptance of local, regional, and international publications. These criteria include checking for plagiarism and duplication, and ensuring that ethical approval and informed consent was obtained where indicated. We will continue to promote our web-based manuscript submission interface; strive to reduce the time from received to acceptance and acceptance to publication; attend regional conferences, and participate in academic activities to encourage submission of high quality articles; encourage editorial board members to solicit potential authors from conferences; and commission our best reviewers to write good articles and encourage editorial board members to contribute material for a regular editorial feature on topical issues. Another objective is to increase the number of issues per year without compromising quality.

This year, in addition to being the Official Journal of the Saudi Association of Neurological Surgery, we are also honored to be the Official Journal of the Saudi Epilepsy Society.

We hope all our readers continue to benefit from the published material, and we extend our sincerest thanks to our authors, readers, reviewers, and board members, and wish all a successful year.



Saud Al-Omani
Editor-In-Chief

Sonia Khan
Associate Editor

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Our thanks also go to the following reviewers, who have participated in the excellent review of manuscripts and books for the year 2010.

Abdullah JM*	Ducruet A*	Koul R*	Ramazan D
Addas BM	Duz B	Kukkady MA	Ravasco P
Aiguio MA		Kulak W	Romanelli P
Alhamaid F	Elferchichi M		Rosengarten B
Alkhairallah T*	El-Sawaf ME	Lassman H	Rossie E
Anyanwu GE	El-Shanti H	Leonard S	
Aquino RT	Elsharkawy A	Lim T*	Seizeur R
Auriel E	Emanuele E	LoPachin R	Shah G
		Lotze T	Sinha S
Al-Jishi A*	Field T	Lozsadi D	Spinner R
Al-Mendalawi MH	Finsterer J	Lu CH	Sproule D
Al-Senani F	Florek E		Steinfeldt T
Al-Shahwan S	Forn C	Maas A	Sturiale C*
Al-Watban J		Mandeville KL	Sturm V
Al-Zabedi AK	Garriga JS	Masri AT	Sugarawa T*
	Garrison K	Maurtua M	
Babay ZA	Ghaffari S	McCullough G	Tariq M
Badr M	Goncalves D	McCusker R	Tawfiq J
Bahm J	Gouider R	Mijalovic M	Terre R
Bartels RH*	Greenwald B	Milavanovic B	Toscano A
Baz S	Guan J	Moffett J	
Behbehani R		Moon M	Ueda M
Bohlega S	Hadjipanayis C	Muhle H	Varona JF
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Buivydaite K	Hiraga A		Volpi A
		Nagarajan V	
Cadoni G	Iizuka T	Naguma T	Westhout F
Campero A*	Inshasi P	Nakase T*	Wynne H
Carson H	Iseri P	Nas K	
Chan K	Isik U		Yamada T
Church MW		Ohaeri J	Yela JD
Cianciulli T	Jacques T*		Yildiz E
Croarkin PE	Jad L*	Pai V	
	Jan M*	Peolsson A	Zhang Z
Dampeer R	Jette N	Pera J	Zilidis G
Dan B	Jose P	Perini R	
de Boer H		Peyre M	
De Carvalho Neto A	Kabiraj MU	Pohl D	
Dick B	Klassen L	Polanska K	
Donald F	Koenig M		
Dong Z	Korovessis P	Qureshi S	

**Reviewed 3 or more articles for the year 2010*