Radiology and Oncology now on PubMed and PubMed Central

Dear authors, dear readers, dear reviewers of Radiology and Oncology. Our journal is steadily growing, and gaining international recognition. We are very pleased that Radiology and Oncology is now indexed in PubMed, starting the 2011 issues and onwards. Furthermore, the articles listed in PubMed Central are freely accessible. This achievement will greatly contribute to our visibility in international community, and citation index of the journal. However, the increase in quotation of our journal is expected with one or two years delay.

Radiology and Oncology has gained the Impact factor (IF) of 0.912 in the year 2012, which has unfortunately dropped substantially from the year before. However, we expect an increase of IF in 2013, due to the higher citation index of our journal on Thomson Reuters (Web of Knowledge). This variability in IF is quite common with the journals that have started indexing by Thomson Reuters. Our next challenge is to further grow our journal and to settle in the third quarter of the indexed journals in the field of Oncology. In order to achieve this goal, we have a team of dedicated and talented colleagues with a similar commitment. In addition to the Deputy Editors, the Editorial Board members contribute ideas and comments for improving the journal, and we expect from them to review at least 6 manuscripts per year. All of us continue to work on the quality of the published papers, and to gain trust of the international community.

By inclusion in world leading databases and indexes, the submission rate has increased considerably. Consequently also the rejection rate has increased, being now >60%. It is our strong belief that we need to maintain the quality of the published papers, and slowly grow the number of the published articles per issue. We encourage authors to submit through our editorial system at www.radioloncol.com high quality papers on almost all fields of oncology and radiology. On the other hand, we ask the reviewers to support our journal by their investment of their precious time for the reviewing process, and their objective but strict adherence to the scientific quality and novelty of the papers. Thank you for your effort.

The journal will adhere to the policy of the open access. The journal is freely accessible at the homepage of de Gruyter (http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/raon), and also through Versita homepage (http://www.versita.com/ro/). However, due to growing expenses of publishing, we are forced at the moment to urge the authors to subsidize the journal with voluntary fee of 500 EUR. Unfortunately we anticipate that 2013 is the last transitory year, in 2014 we will be charging the publication fee to all authors. Nevertheless, we will continue to publish hard copy of our journal.

The steady growth of the submissions puts great pressure on the Editors and Editorial Board. But we will continue on our endeavor to keep the journal independent from big publishers that have already expressed interest in us. We believe that in the independent way, we can in the best way promote Slovenian radiology and oncology in the world and also make our journal interesting for the international community. Thank you for your help and support, and please do so also in the future.

Best regards,

Prof. Gregor Serša, Ph.D. Editor in Chief

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