

# Note for Journal of Surgery [Jurnalul de chirurgie]

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I am pleased to mention that during the year 2019, all issues of volume 15 were published online well within the time and the print issues were also brought out and dispatched within 30 days of publishing the issue online. Journal of Surgery [Jurnalul de chirurgie] during this year also brought out 4th Global Meeting on Plastic, Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery, which consisted of ~11 abstracts.

The JCR Impact factor of JOS for the year 2018 was 1.91, while the current SJR index dropped to 0.256. The H-index of the journal, however, increased to 50 and JOS ranked first among all journals in the field of Surgical Sciences published in India, 2nd in Asia and 48th in the world.

During the calendar year 2019, JOS received a total of 62 papers, out of which 36 articles (58%) were rejected in the preliminary screening due to plagiarism or being out of the format and peer review process. During 2019 around 14 articles were subjected for publication after they are accepted in the peer review process. In the 3 issues of Volume 15 published during the year 2019, a total of 14 articles were published (at an average of 8 articles per issue) of which, articles were published from authors all around the world. A total of 110 research scientists from all over the world reviewed the 14 articles published in volume 15. Average publication lag time of an article was further reduced to 2-3 weeks.

During the calendar year 2019, a total of 32 Editors, 15 Reviewers joined the board of JOS and contributed their invaluable services towards contribution as well as publication of articles.

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