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In the 1975 summer meeting of the ESPRS, was held in the auditorium of El-Shatby Hospital, directly in front of the Mediterranean in Alexandria, the desire and need to issue a journal that will be the official journal of the Egyptian Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, was discussed.

It was decided in this meeting to appoint the late Professor Gamal Beheiry as the Editor of the journal. He then chose me as the editorial secretary. Professor Beheiry was followed by three Editors, Late Professor Hussein Talaat, late Professor Farid Mostafa and finally. It was also decided that this journal will be issued biannually. The first issue of the journal came to light in July 1976. This first issue was printed in black & white. It contained 7 papers and consisted of 60 pages, format 17x23 cm.

The Journal appeared biannually. The black and white issue of the Journal continued till the July issue of 1993. A new Editorial Secretary was handed the journal; my colleague Professor Mohamed Kadry, and the following issue appeared in a new look. The journal appeared in coloured cover, glossy papers and coloured photos, and an A4 format. Due to regularity of issues a national library legal deposit number was given (No 818-1996) and an International publication number ISSN 1110-0044 was also obtained. The last issue of the journal Volume 1 January 2017 consisted of 25 articles and 197 pages. The average number of publications is around 45-50 per year. Ten years ago the journal became a peer review journal, referees from Egyptian and foreign countries are consulted before publication.

Up till now the printed research represents a very important way to propagate knowledge. However, with the advent of the digital age, online publication is becoming a better way to spread the information. It is the current policy of this journal to provide an online version for all printed material. Since 2004 the Journal was indexed and appeared on the site of the Egyptian Society of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgeons. (www.esprs.com).

The Journal is now well recognized as the Official Organ of the Egyptian Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons. It has been classified by the Supreme Council of Egyptian Universities as the highest national scoring in the committee of promotions of Professors in Egypt.

Translational research is definitely the key to progress. Clinical research, in my opinion, should be a trial of new techniques based on ideas tested in laboratories. The journal welcomes all scientifically tested new ideas for publications.

Our Journal continues to grow our future plans include being accepted on International sites of publications such as Pubmed and Scoope. The obstacle being the number of yearly issues and available articles.

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