

# Editorial

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the International Journal of Prosthodontics and Restorative Dentistry (IJPRD).

Most of you will think why one more journal in Restorative dentistry when there are many journals already existing in this specialty? The answer to this question lies in the fact that, as a result of constantly improving general health care delivery systems, people now live much longer than they had in the past, with the inevitable result that geriatric dentistry has assumed a critically important role. How often do we encounter aging patients with multiple quadrants of edentulism, root caries, incisal erosion, closed vertical dimension and a host of other age-related dental problems? With high frequency indeed! Modern day practitioners must keep themselves well-informed on current developments in restorative procedures which can be used for durable, conservative long-lasting restorations in treating aging dentition. Enormous research is being carried out across the globe, in order to make the treatment simpler and most effective. Hence, it was the ardent belief of both myself as well as Jaypee Brothers Medical Publishers that the arrival of IJPRD will definitely be a good addition to the existing journals in documenting these research work and making them available to the fellow colleagues, thus keeping them updated.

IJPRD would publish papers from across the world. We will have a very broad and inclusive outlook and aim to be the premier international journal. This inclusivity is also reflected in the multi-disciplinary restorative approach of this journal, ranging from prosthodontics to periodontics. As for the contents of IJPRD, we aim to publish quality, peer-reviewed original research, case reports, topical reviews and techniques on all aspects of restorative dentistry.

I am very happy to mention that we received an overwhelming response from India, which happens to be the country of this journal's origin, with over 60 manuscripts received in just 3 months from the time we announced the launching of this journal. We did receive few manuscripts from European countries, and look forward for further good response from across the world. We are truly overwhelmed by this remarkable response to IJPRD, and grateful to all the authors who submitted these manuscripts. I am also grateful to the international editorial board for its unstinting support, which has thus far helped us realize this goal.

In this inaugural issue, we have attempted to provide you with a rich menu of papers that cuts across a number of disciplines covering the restorative part ranging from prosthodontics to dental materials science. Enjoy reading IJPRD and please do send any feedbacks and comments on the articles published.

Happy reading, and keep us in mind when you are writing up your research!



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ramesh Chowdhary', written over a light blue background.

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