

# EDITORIAL

## New Strategies and Policies for the Journal of Research on History of Medicine, 2019

The Journal of Research on History of Medicine was started to be published as trilingual journal (English, Persian and Arabic) since 2012 and continued until now. During these 8 years to the end of 2018, Dr. Alireza Mehdizadeh, associate professor of medical physics and deputy for research and education in Research Office for the History of Persian Medicine at Shiraz University of Medical Sciences was the editor in chief and succeeded to issue 8 volumes of the journal with high quality. The papers were published by contribution of the authors from different countries like Iran, USA, Australia, New Zealand, Bahrain, Georgia, Saudi Arabia, Greece, etc. Also, an International Editorial Advisory Board and also reviewers from all around the world helped to improve the quality of publications during these years. Nowadays, this journal is one of the successful international journals in the field of history of medical sciences and indexed in some of main indexing systems like EBSCO, CiteFactor, etc. It is also Scientific Research rated, approved by the Iranian Medical Journals Commission at ministry of health and medical education of Iran.

After these successful years, I am appointed as Editor in Chief for 2019, and Dr. Mehdizadeh would be Chairman of the journal. For upcoming issues, the editorial team of the journal decides to change some policies of the journal as:

- 1- The language of the journal would be only English and therefore papers in Persian or Arabic will not be published any more.
- 2- The editorial advisory board of the journal would be improved by

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contribution of more scientists in the field of history of medicine. In the first step, Dr. Halil Tekiner, associate professor of history of pharmacy at Erciyes University and vice president of International Society for the History of Pharmacy joined us in the journal.

3- The attempts to index in valuable indexing systems like Scopus would be continued more seriously.

4- It would be negotiated to join with international associations and communities.

We hope to improve the quality of the journal by contribution of researchers and scientists in the field of history of medicine all around the world. This journal is good place to show the high quality researches on medical history and we will continue our way by our best attempts.

