

From the Editor's Desk

Dear Colleague,

On behalf of the Editorial Office and Publication Committee, I am proud to announce the launch of Journal of Periodontics and Implant Dentistry (JPID) as a new official academic journal of the Taiwan Academy of Periodontology (TAP).

TAP is the largest and most representative society of periodontology in Taiwan and was founded in 1987. The first peer-reviewed academic publication, the Chinese Journal of Periodontology (CJP), was initiated in 1996 and has been renamed as Journal of the Taiwan Academy of Periodontology (JTAP) since 2008. In these twenty-one years, CJP and JTAP not only published the latest works of the researchers and clinicians in Taiwan, but they also conveyed the guidelines of treating periodontitis specific for Taiwanese population based on the discussions from the consensus meetings of TAP.

As one of the leading societies of periodontology with great clinical and research resources in the Asia-Pacific region, TAP is responsible to expand the experience and impact to improve periodontal health care of the global populations. A textbook entitled "An Asian Aspects of Periodontology and Implantology" (ISBN: 978-986-90138-0-2) had been published in 2014 and had been later revised to a full-English version (ISBN: 978-986-90138-3-3) in 2017. In addition to publish textbooks, TAP also wish

to establish a platform to encourage worldwide researchers and clinicians to communicate with each other, to convey the state of the art concept of clinical diagnosis and treatment, and to advance the innovations of materials and technologies in the field. Thus, TAP makes an adjustment in the peer-reviewed academic publications. JTAP is transformed to a domestic scientific journal which mainly covers the case series and literature reviews from domestic practitioners, and JPID, a full-English journal, is designed to accept the scientific and clinical articles (original articles, clinical trials, case series, and review articles) with global impact. In each issue of JPID, the editorial office will also invite the clinical or scientific pioneers to discuss the latest advancement within their expertise and provide their advice in treating Asian patients as well. Please be aware that all submitted articles will go through the peer reviewing process for the appropriateness and the accuracy of content.

In the inaugural issue of JPID, it is our great honor to invite Professor Dibart (Boston University, Boston, MA, USA) to share his expertise of Piezocision™ technique in accelerating orthodontic movement. The editorial office also acknowledge Dr. Chung-Han Yu for the assistance of organizing and revising this article. Chemical biofilm control to maintain periodontal and periimplant health is

revisited, a 1-5 years' follow-up with thorough discussion of transcrestal implant placement, and a clinical survey with regards to the accessory mental foramen in the Taiwanese population are also included. These articles provide the clinicians insights to clarify and justify the current clinical treatment protocols. We have also included a preclinical study investigating the potential of Ganoderma lucidum in modulating periodontal destruction, and a clinical trial showing the potential of diode laser irradiation to overcome dentinal hypersensitivity after periodontal therapy.

Again, JPID wish to provide a platform for worldwide researchers and clinicians to show their latest work and communicate with each other in the field of periodontics and implant dentistry. We embrace the diversity of researches and clinical works and truly thank you for your contribution.



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