

From the Editor

Editor-in-Chief stepping down

After 10 years as Editor-in-Chief of JBMR, I have decided to step down. I have served in this role since I founded the Journal in 1989. In the past few years, I have not been able to contribute to JBMR as I would have preferred due to a progressive chronic illness. In fact, in the last year I have also stepped down from the chairmanship of the Department of PM&R at Virginia Commonwealth University/Medical College of Virginia which I held for 8 years and I am now out on medical disability. I hoped I would be able to continue with the Journal and increase my role as Editor but find that I cannot. So it is with sadness and some relief that I turn the leadership of JBMR over to someone who can help it grow and meet the needs of its readership.

Over the years, the Journal has changed from primarily clinical reviews in a US based Journal to primarily unsolicited scientific papers in an internationally dis-

tributed journal. Our goal was to provide clinically useable information with a solid scientific foundation to our readers. I sincerely hope JBMR has met your needs and continues to serve you well.

I am pleased to announce that Norman Harden, MD, from the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, will be the new Editor-in-Chief. He has been a long time editorial board member, contributor, and supporter of the Journal. Most importantly, I believe Dr. Harden brings to JBMR strong commitment, energy, and new ideas for providing clinically useful information in musculoskeletal medicine to this readership.

Thank you to the subscribers and editorial board for your support and enthusiasm for JBMR over the years.

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