

## Editorial

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Congratulations – The Journal of Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine (JPRM) was just recently selected for indexing by the U.S. National Library of Medicine's National Institute of Health. JPRM joins over 5400 journals indexed from over 80 countries worldwide. All of the articles published since the initial issue of the journal can now be searched for through Pub Med.<sup>1</sup>

This is a significant accomplishment for the field of Pediatric Rehabilitation Medicine (PRM). While a small field of medicine, PRM treats the functional needs of children with handicaps, disabilities, and impairments from any disease. JPRM – designed after the entire rehabilitation treatment team – has included contributors from physical, occupational, and speech therapy, in addition to dozens of other allied and medical specialties. Over 200 reviewers have contributed to this success!

A special thanks is extended to the issue guest editor(s): Cerebral Palsy (Elizabeth Moberg-Wolff and Lynne Romeiser Logan), Neuromuscular Disease (Joseph E. Hornyak), Spina Bifida (Tim Brei and Sue Mukherjee), Emergency Treatment (George Foltin and Arthur Cooper), Pediatric Limb Deficiency (Stephanie Ried), Pediatric Traumatic Brain Injury (Linda J. Michaud), Promoting Bone Health and Framing New Therapies in MPS VI (Paul Harmatz, Joseph Muenzer and Maurizio Scarpa), Communication Access for Children: The Role of AAC in Pediatric Rehabilitation (Sarah W. Blackstone), and Rehabilitation of Pediatric Brain Tumors (Jonathan Finlay). Without their contribution, JPRM would not have reached this milestone. From an administrative perspective, I would also like to recognize Lila-Lee Tramiel and Andrea Works, the editorial managers. We have also been fortunate to have worked with the following students –

all of whom have assisted in various aspects of JPRM's production: Manjit Bhandal, Samantha Patil, Napala Pratini, Amy Li, and Alicia White.

The current issue, Neonatal Brachial Plexus Palsy (NBPP), guest edited by Virginia Nelson and Lydia Yang, both of University of Michigan, provides a comprehensive review of this topic. Two commentaries, the first by John McGillicuddy and second by Peter Rosenbaum, discuss the Historical Perspective and Functional Assessments in the Future of NBPP. To understand the brachial plexus, one must first have a working knowledge of its anatomy. Kattan and Borschel first provide us with a basic review. This is followed by Shobha Mehta's review of Obstetrical Factors and Neonatal Management. Sandeep Sebastin then reviews the Pathogenesis and Management of the Elbow, Wrist and Hand in Late NBPP, followed by Kelly Vanderhave's review of Shoulder Sequelae of NBPP: Orthopedic Assessment and Management. To conclude the reviews, Martin Malesy discusses "Nerve Surgery for NBPP," a challenging and, at times, controversial topic for many providers treating these patients. To develop standardized treatments, clearly randomized controlled studies on various interventions are required.

The issue also includes an original article on the tolerance of intravenous baclofen in canines and several case reports.

Once again – thank you to all of our contributors and readers who have assisted us in being recognized by the National Library of Medicine.

Sincerely

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Editor in Chief

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<sup>1</sup>[http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed?term=%22J%20Pediatr%20Rehabil%20Med%22\[Journal\]](http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed?term=%22J%20Pediatr%20Rehabil%20Med%22[Journal]).