

Editorial

First of all I would like to share with all our readers the good news that the *International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry* will receive its first ISI Impact factor in 2009. The papers published in 2006, volume 16 will form the first basis for this calculation. The first impact factor will be published in the 2008 Journal Citation Report released by ISI in May/June 2009! One of our goals for the journal has been achieved. It is important that we in the field of paediatric dentistry have a journal with an impact factor that can present results from high quality research which can be introduced into undergraduate and postgraduate education and translated into clinical practice.

Having served as Editor-in-chief of the *International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry* since July

Table 1. Distribution of manuscripts to *International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry* during 2005-10-01 to 2006-09-30 by country of corresponding author.

Brazil	57
United Kingdom	46
Turkey	32
India	20
Iran	13
Israel	11
China (incl. Hong Kong)	6
Japan	5
Sweden	5
Saudi Arabia	5
USA	5
The Netherlands	4
Colombia	3
France	3
Kuwait	3
Nigeria	3
Thailand	3
Sri Lanka	3
Canada	2
Denmark	2
Germany	2
Greece	2
Jordan	2
Mexico	2
New Zealand	2
South Africa	2
Argentina	1
Brunei	1
Estonia	1
Finland	1
Italy	1
Malaysia	1
Morocco	1
Poland	1
Trinidad & Tobago	1
Uganda	1
United Arab Emirates	1

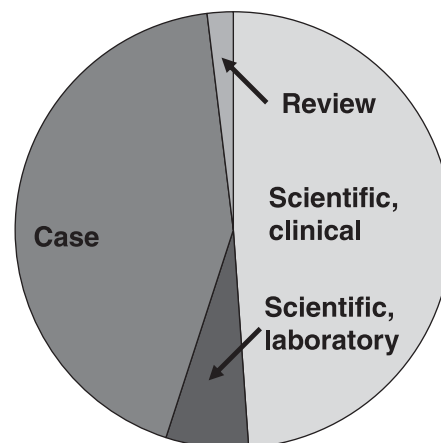


Fig. 1. Distribution of IJPD manuscripts by category (submitted from 2005-10-1 to 2006-09-30).

2005, I can now summarize our first year of on-line submission. All manuscripts are now being submitted electronically since October 1, 2005 (<http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/ijpd>) and review and managed through this web portal. During the period October 1, 2005 to September 30, we have received a high submission record of 254 new submissions. As can be seen in Table 1 the IJPD attracts submission from all over the world. There are an increasing number of submissions from countries such as Brazil and Turkey. The distribution of submitted manuscripts can be seen in Fig. 1. So far the acceptance rate for research papers has been 37% and for case reports 12%. The time from submission to first decision is now 38 days.

Since the IJPD meeting in Sydney I have appointed three new members of the editorial board: professor Lihong Ge, from Peking University School of Stomatology, China, Professor Yoshinobu Asada from Tsurumi University in Tokyo, Japan and professor Tsutomu Shimono from Okayama University Dental School, Japan.

The *International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry* has been able to adjust to the demands from the scientific community and is now in a good position to attract the most important and innovative research in the field of paediatric dentistry. I do welcome communication (goran.dahllof@ki.se) at any time as to how we can best serve the needs of our readership.

—Göran Dahllof

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