

Editor-in-Chief's report: 2021 at CJO



It was another busy and productive year at CJO.

It is my pleasure to share that in 2021, the CJO reached a historic milestone by achieving its highest Impact Factor since the journal was launched in 1966. CJO's current Impact Factor is 1.882, which marks a 37.5% increase from the previous year.

I am particularly proud of this achievement given the immense time and effort our editorial board, our managing editor (Suzanne Purkis), our reviewers, and our authors have devoted towards enhancing the impact of the research we publish.

Moreover, the steady rise in the CJO's Impact Factor over the past 3 years helps to validate the strategic focus for the journal that I have shared with our readers in previous editorials. Robust research methodology and impactful research questions that have implications for clinicians and patient care at the global level are the guiding principles that drive

Table 1—CJO 2021: Key Outcome Metrics

Impact Factor	Increased by 37.5% to 1.882
Time from submission to 1st decision	2.4 weeks
Number of submissions	1324
Acceptance rate for submissions	13.8%
Average number of monthly article downloads	27,315

decisions around publication at CJO. I encourage our readers and authors to continue to submit their high impact work to a journal that has a track record of increasing impact and an increasingly efficient and timely editorial review process.

CJO has a focused vision for excellence and I hope the outcome metrics presented in [Table 1](#) provide our readers with the sense of achievement, excitement, and enthusiasm for what we have collectively accomplished and for the new milestones we hope to achieve in the coming years.

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