



Editorial

Surgical Techniques Development: A Multidisciplinary Medium for the Future Practical Surgery

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Surgical Techniques Development is an Open Access peer-reviewed journal focusing on minimally invasive surgical techniques, technical innovations such as new instruments, new technologies, new robotics applications, and other new ideas, and is open to suggestions coming from all areas of surgery.

Within this era of exciting developments, I am delighted to continue my role of Editor-in-Chief for *Surgical Techniques Development*, international scientific journal established in 2011 by PAGEPress (Pavia, Italy) and now, since 24 January 2022, published by MDPI (Basel, Switzerland). I recently succeeded Professor Mark G. Shrime, otolaryngologist surgeon from Harvard Medical School as Editor-in-Chief. MDPI is a pioneer in scholarly Open Access publishing and has supported academic communities since 1996.

Surgical Techniques Development is the first online-only journal reporting on the diffusion of the research for multidisciplinary innovation, as well intending to be the spotlight for different surgical specialties such as head and neck, endoscopy, gynaecology, thoracic surgery, cancer care and, due to my core curriculum, skin and breast cancer surgery together with the most modern aspects of plastic reconstructive and aesthetic surgery.

The journal has been indexed by ESCI (Web of Science), and we believe this will allow us to reach a larger audience, which will enhance the visibility and impact of research for the potential authors.

Surgeons who are the trendsetters of surgical progresses, and younger surgeons who want to keep up with the most up-to-date assessments and technologies in surgery, can from now on revert to *Surgical Techniques Development* as their dedicated journal. Progress in recent years has led surgical technologies and procedures to extend to several specialties, thus the need for a journal to collect all related topics.

MDPI will re-release Volume 11, Issue 1 in March 2022, and change its publication frequency to quarterly. We will be inclined to the rapid publication of various types of articles such as review articles, short communications, opinion papers, commentary, survey articles, single case studies and other manuscript types in the fields of surgical innovations. Additionally, videos illustrating surgical techniques are welcome.

Let us work together as authors and reviewers to prepare good papers for the journal that will be free to download, share, and reuse content. Authors will receive recognition for their contribution when the paper is reused and cited.

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