Sharing our stories:
A look back and a glimpse ahead at JCRS

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Worst Medal Lecturers
1999    Jan Worst
2000    Marvin Kwitco
2001    Norman Jaffe
2002    Robert Sinskey
2003    Richard Kratz
2004    Michael Blumenthal
2005    John Shepherd
2006    Thomas Neuhann
2007    Emanuel Rosen
2008    Okihiro Nishi

1975: The humble beginnings
• Volume 1, No. 1
  • More like a newsletter...
  • (Actually, it was a newsletter.)

1975: The humble beginnings
• Founded by Ken Hoffer

• First IOL at Santa Monica Hospital: April, 1974
• ICCE Medallion
**Purpose**

- “...to provide members and friends of the Society with as much information as can be gathered about the exciting field of intraocular lens implantation.” (Hoffer)

- Sharing our stories...

**Methodology**

- January issue of JCRS
- Start from 1977
- 1980 and every 5 years thereafter

**First article, . . . by Ken Hoffer**

- Ken Hoffer

**1976 Volume 2**

- Lead article

**Binkhorst Lecture**

1975 Binkhorst

1976 Jan Worst

1977 Norman Jaffe
2 years later: AIOIS Journal!

- A journal!

1977: Binkhorst Lecture

Yet again...

1977 (continued)
1977: Report on IIIC/AIOLIS

1977 (continued)
• Start of the Consultation Section
• Kudos to Sam Masket for his service

Advertisers
CILCO Intermedics Copeland

Advertisers
CILCO Coburn Surgidev

1980

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articles
The editors

- Kenneth J. Hoffer
  - Managing editor, 1975-1980
- Steven G. Cooperman
  - Scientific editor, 1975-1976
- Robert C. Drews
  - Scientific editor, 1977
- Henry M. Clayman
  - Scientific editor, 1978-1980

1981: Start of the Obstbaum era

- To remain Editor for 20 years
- Transformed the journal
  - Types of articles
  - Quality of articles
  - Length
  - Impact—in all respects

Great leaders surround themselves with the best talent

1983 to ?
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2008: 25 years!!

1985

articles

1986: Now ASCRS!

from the editor...

1986

1986: Now ASCRS!
1990

Growing...

1995

My, look how big we’re getting!

- 1985: 6 issues
- 1986: becomes Journal of Cataract and Refractive Surgery
- 1996: 10 issues/year
- 1998: 12 issues/year
- 2010: . . . .
1996: Merger!

- Two editors:
  - Steve Obstbaum
  - Emanuel Rosen
- Two associate editors:
  - Myself
  - Thomas Kohnen
Merger

- Equal representation on editorial board (plus colleagues from other regions)
- Proportional cost sharing

Supplements and special issues

- 1993: Corneal Topography
- 1994: Keratorefractive Surgery with the Excimer Laser
- 1996: Ocular Inflammation
- 1996: Foldable IOLs

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- 1997: Pediatric Cataract and Intraocular Lens Surgery
- 2001: Analyzing Astigmatism
- 2005: Corneal Biomechanics
- 2006: Anterior Segment Imaging

2000: Laboratory Science

- Articles
  - Authors: Authors
  - Title: Title
  - Journal: Journal
  - Year: 2000

2000

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2005

Corneal Biomechanics

Where are we now?

- 12,363 subscriptions
- 45% USA
- 55% Other nations

Where are we now?

- Advertising up 18% from 2007!
- JCRS ranked 3rd among all eye journals as “most sought after by advertisers”
Further heights

- Having impact
  - Impact factor
  - Serving as a resource
    - Clinicians
    - Scientists

Impact factor over years
Incidence of Acute Endophthalmitis Following Cataract Surgery or Penetrating Keratoplasty: A Meta-Analysis

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Origin of articles in 1977 (First 2 issues)

Europe | USA | Australia | Canada
---|---|---|---
23 | 71 | 0 | 0

Origin of articles in 1980 (Jan-March)

Europe | USA | Canada
---|---|---
10 | 87 | 3

Origin of articles in 1990 (Jan-March)

Europe | USA | Australia | Canada | Asia | Africa | Latin America
---|---|---|---|---|---|---
32 | 60 | 4 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 0

Origin of articles in 2000 (Jan-March)

Europe | USA | Canada | Asia | Latin America
---|---|---|---|---
36 | 33 | 23 | 6 | 0
Dear Professor Koch:

I am writing to invite you to submit an article to the "Journal of Ophthalmology," which provides a rapid forum for the dissemination of original research articles, review articles, case reports, and clinical studies in all areas of ophthalmology.

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- Electronic publishing
- Who reads this stuff?

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Survey of residents and faculty regarding peer-review journals

- Residents
  - 14
- Faculty
  - 16

What format do you prefer for reading new issues of your journals?

- Printed by: Residents (57%), Faculty (43%)
- Electronic: Residents (43%), Faculty (57%)

How many printed journals do you have bound each year?

- None: Residents (23%), Faculty (36%)
- One: Residents (88%), Faculty (6%)
- More than one: Residents (0%), Faculty (0%)

I clip and save articles from written journals:

- Never: Residents (36%), Faculty (25%)
- No more than 1/month: Residents (43%), Faculty (25%)
- Two or more/month: Residents (21%), Faculty (50%)

In 10 years, what will be the most common journal format?

- Paper only: Residents (36%), Faculty (77%)
- Paper & electronic: Residents (54%), Faculty (94%)
- Electronic only: Residents (0%), Faculty (0%)

In 10 years, I will routinely be paid to review journal articles

- True: Residents (23%), Faculty (77%)
- False: Residents (6%), Faculty (23%)
What changes do you foresee in journal publishing 10 years from now?

Residents
- Switch to electronic journals
- More journals online for free
- More practitioner focused articles
- Fewer journals
- Better quality articles

Faculty
- Less paper
- More electronic
- Shorter articles
- More cross referencing
- Consolidation of journals

Future concerns
- Funding
- Presenting data in a way that appeals to the next generation

2007: Time to pass the torch

Appreciation:
- Editorial board
- Authors
- Reviewers
- David Karcher, Mary D’Ardis and both “SCRS” boards
- Our journal colleagues:
  - JRS, AJO, Archives, Ophthalmology, Cornea
Appreciation

Thank you!!