

Message from the Editor in Chief

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It is my honor and great pleasure to announce the start of the publication of Dokkyo Medical Journal (DKMJ) as a new scientific medical journal. Dokkyo Medical Journal is published by Dokkyo Medical Society affiliated with Dokkyo Medical University. Dokkyo Medical University is a Japanese Private Medical School founded in 1973 in Mibu City, Tochigi located 100 km north of Tokyo, the capital of Japan. Since its foundation, we have been distributing the Dokkyo Journal of Medical Sciences as a bulletin publishing both in English and Japanese articles. At this time, facing the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the university, we decided to launch the publication of a new international journal in English as the common language and start to call submissions of scientific papers not only from the members of Dokkyo Medical Society but also from the medical scientists and practitioners over the world. We welcome various forms of manuscripts conveying novel, interesting, instructive, and useful information such as original articles of basic and clinical medical researches, reviews, case reports, and correspondences. At the same time, we would like to keep our eyes and ears open to receive any opinions, suggestions and questions which are expected to raise the quality, value, and attractivity of the journal.

As the suburb of the Tokyo metropolitan area, the Dokkyo Medical University Hospital is characterized as experiencing a large number of patients with a wide variety of disorders from common diseases for primary emergent care to highly specific diseases requiring advanced medical technology. Therefore, I would like to expect the members of Dokkyo Medical Society to take advantage of these circumstances and present the clinical courses of valuable cases as case reports as well as demonstrate the results of comprehensive analyses of clinical data obtained from numbers of commonly-experienced patients in DKMJ. On the other hand, we will greatly appreciate getting information from the situations with different circumstances such as rural or metropolitan areas and developed or developing countries. We also welcome the productive information and opinion exchanges traversing researchers and practitioners in a wide range of areas from specifically basic science to frontier clinical medicine. As a result of the accumulations of such reports with various topics, we hope a large quantity of fruitful and valuable exchanges of information and opinions are performed among the authors and readers.

Thus, I, as the Editor-in-Chief of DKMJ, understand that the quality and the value of this newly started journal will be established depending on the interest, curiosity, enthusiasm, endeavor, dedication, and contribution of authors and readers. Therefore, I would like to ask and invite related persons and anyone interested in our academic activity to participate in publishing this new journal.