

Editors' Note

The Editorial Team

We are grateful to Managing Editor Stephen Cavanaugh for shepherding the Journal to a new publisher and further enhancing its standing in the publishing community as evidenced by its rising impact factor. After 4 years he now has decided to devote his talents to another journal. While his expertise and wisdom will be sorely missed, we are thrilled to welcome our new Managing Editor Rachel Hendrick. With over ten years' experience in the publishing industry, Rachel has been working as the Editorial Assistant on JSCM since February 2017. She recently graduated with a PhD in Public Health at the University of Edinburgh: her research examined the management of conflicts of interest in peer-reviewed medical journals.

This issue

Editorialists Drs. Debra Fromer and Michelle Kim lead off by offering their perspective on several original publications from an international group of authors that explore quality of life as a function of bladder function after spinal cord injury, including by Basami et al, Best et al, and Park et al. Koyuncu et al present data on the associations of dyslipidemia, motor function and disease duration. Yazdanshenas Ghazwin et al investigate defense mechanisms in persons with spinal cord injury and adjustment disorder. Ikumi et al report on the benefits of robotic suit hybrid assistive limb training on motor function in a person with C4 tetraplegia.

Following several recent JSCM articles on disordered sleep in adults with SCI, January et al offer new information on the relationship between sleep, mobility, well-being, pain and other factors in children.

Last not least, this issue shares the poster and platform presentations from the September 3–6, 2017 ASCIP meeting in Denver, Colorado.

Impact Factor

JSCM's 2016 impact factor rose by 3.5%, i.e. from 1.578 in 2015 to 1.633 in 2016.

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