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## **Editorial**

## Birth of a New Journal

Sri Devaraj Urs Medical College, a 25 years old medical college located in semi rural environs of Kolar, Karnataka was granted a Deemed to be University status in 2007 and thus Sri Devaraj Urs Academy of Higher Education and Research was established. Research was added as a thrust area to the existing role of medical education and patient care. A policy decision was taken to pursue research in clinical medicine, basic sciences, and community / environment based health problems. To facilitate these, the diagnostic infrastructure has been upgraded; a genome laboratory to undertake cytogenetic and molecular biology studies has been established; and, a positive effort is being made to create a 'research culture'.

For any scientific knowledge gained, its dissemination is essential. This is achieved by publication of scientific findings. To enhance the dissemination of scientific work, it was decided that the Academy should publish its own scientific medical journal. The Journal of Clinical and Biomedical Sciences (JCBS) was thus born. This will be a quarterly journal. The first issue was released in April 2011. The Editorial Board is mandated to ensure good scientific quality as well as constantly strive to improve the standard of the journal. A good peer review system by experts in various fields has been established. It will be our endeavour to ensure that JCBS is indexed at the earliest. The guidelines of the Committee for Publication Ethics (COPE) (www.publicationethics.org) will be strictly adhered to.

Authors are requested to contribute original articles and case reports. We also welcome comments and suggestions that could improve the quality of the journal.

I feel happy and privileged to present the second issue of JCBS. I acknowledge and thank the authors, reviewers and members of the Editorial Board, all of whom collectively have made this possible.

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