Editorial

From the Editors: Assessing the International Journal of Exercise Science after Two Years

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ABSTRACT

Int J Exerc Sci 3(1): 1-3, 2010. The popularity of the International Journal of Exercise Science continues to rise. As a student-focused journal, we are pleased to provide these future professionals with opportunities to gain experience with the peer review process, both through submitting their original work and as manuscript reviewers. Our editorial process is changing as section editors with specialties within the field of exercise science have agreed to take on these responsibilities. In addition, we are proud to also publish conference proceedings from various meetings held around the world. A list of individuals who have reviewed manuscripts throughout the last year is included.

The International Journal of Exercise Science (IJES) is now entering its third year. Through the first two years of publication, we have experienced a steady rise in, for lack of a better term, “popularity.” Number of submissions continues to increase, especially from students. As this journal was founded with the mission of being an international, on-line journal that would specifically target student-driven (or student-assisted) research, we are very pleased that both undergraduate and graduate students around the world have found IJES a worthy destination for dissemination of their research. Over half of the manuscripts that we have published in the past two years have had a student as the lead author. We are also a worthy repository for professionals to submit their research as well, provided that at least one student is listed as a co-author. We have remained a quarterly journal, and in all likelihood will remain as such for the foreseeable future. Each issue contains an Invited Editorial, plus an average of five Original Research manuscripts plus a Technical Note and/or a Review paper. In addition to research manuscripts, we have taken on the task of publishing Conference Proceedings as well. To date, we have published the proceedings for the 2008 International Meeting in Exercise Physiology, held in Sao Carlos, Brazil, for the 2009 Texas Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine Conference, held in Tyler, Texas, and for the 2009 Health and Human Performance Graduate Student Research Day, held at the University of Houston. We will soon publish the proceedings of the 2010 South Central Chapter of the American Society of Biomechanics Conference.

During the past year, there have been a couple of very positive “behind the scenes” developments with IJES. We have expanded our Editorial Board to over twenty highly qualified members. Most of the Editorial Board members are university faculty, though a couple work in the medical field. We have Editorial Board members from Africa, Brazil, and South
Korea, as well as from the United States. As we are a student-focused journal, there are students on the Board as well, including one graduate student that serves as the Managing Editor...a truly invaluable role. From the Editorial Board, we also have appointed Section Editors to assist in the editorial and review process. We want to extend a sincere thank you to the Board for all their work in the past year, and especially to the recently appointed Section Editors, as they have made the jobs of the Editors-in-Chief much less stressful! We also want to thank and recognize all of the fine scholars around the world who served as manuscript reviewers during 2009. Obviously, as a peer-reviewed journal, we could not function without qualified people to serve as peer-reviewers. All reviewers from 2009 are listed below. Again, THANK YOU!

We are often asked about indexing and impact factor. We are currently indexed by the Sport Information Resource Center (SIRC) and by EBSCO/SportDiscus. We are working towards indexing through Medline/PubMed, though we are not quite there yet. As we have only been in print for two years, we are not yet eligible for an official impact factor. However, as we do have a significant amount of data available to us as Editors, we think we may be able soon to publish an unofficial, estimated impact factor. Look for that on the front page of the journal site soon. Finally, we, the Editors, are working with a new conference that we would like for everyone to consider. The first annual International E-Conference on Kinesiology and Integrated Physiology will take place in October 2010. It is a new conference and a new concept, in that the entire conference will be on-line. It is a very exciting venture and one with which we are very happy to be involved. We encourage you to check out the conference site and consider submitting an abstract. We will publish the proceedings for this conference as well.

http://kinesiology.econferenceintl.com

Best to everyone in 2010!

Scott Lyons and James Navalta, Editors-in-Chief

List of Reviewers, 2009:
International Journal of Exercise Science

Ashley Alderfer
Helaine Alessio
Natalie Alverson
Joseph Andreacci
Scott Arnett
Nicholas Bacon
Kevin Ballard
David Bartlett
Michael Bemben
Jill Beville
Rodrigo Bini
Andrew Bosak
Whitney Breslin
Kelly Brooks
Gregory Brown
Jamie Burr
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