Birth of SRHU Medical Journal

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It gives me a great pleasure to bring out the first issue of the SRHU Medical Journal (SRHUMJ). SRHUMJ is the official publication of the Swami Rama Himalayan University, a University of excellence at Dehradun, Uttarakhand.

We are all aware of the progress medical science has made over the decades. Vaccinations, antibiotics, organ scanning, advances in surgery, which we all take for granted today were research in past. Fifty years ago the organ transplants were only being talked about, thanks to research it is now a routine. There are still many challenges in medicine which are being explored and are yet to be explored.

Different countries have different health challenges, which may require different strategies to deal with. As a scientist, we may have brilliant ideas and work hard to address some of these challenges, but unless it is shared with colleagues thorough publications; it will remain unknown to the medical fraternity and will not be beneficial to mankind at large. We owe it to all present and future generations that all the progress in medicine, be it a success or failure story, should be shared with everybody.

Time for doing research in isolation has long gone. In present work culture and economic environment, we need to pool our resources, share ideas and work with colleagues. These colleagues could be from any field of medical sciences. Universities and Medical Colleges too have a responsibility to provide environment conducive to research. It is in their interest as well, as research status of a University provides a benchmark of standing of University in the wider world.

SRHU has set up research as its priority agenda and supports fully the SRHUMJ with the aim to disseminate research knowledge both nationally and internationally. We have a strong International and National Editorial Board to deliver this agenda. This academic journal will be multi-disciplinary, covering all aspects of medicine and its allied sciences. In interest of distribution of knowledge, especially in developing countries, no cost will be borne by the authors and readers. The journal will be a double blind, peer-reviewed, print / online and an open access journal. The editorial board of the journal is committed to uphold the international ethics standards at all stages, required for the publication.

The SRHUMJ will be happy to publish any articles including Editorial, Original Research, Review Article, CME, Case Report, Short Communication, Guidelines, Reviews and any other article which will contribute to enhancement of medical knowledge. Currently we plan to publish SRHUMJ quarterly, but with your support, we will be happy to increase the frequency of publications.

I give to you the first edition of the SRHUMJ.