

ULTRASONOGRAPHY: a new beginning with international open access

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During the last decades, along with the great strides in diagnostic medicine and intervention, ultrasound technology has grown and global standards in research publication have been raised. After many zealous discussions and debates on the present and future academic rigor and global status of the Korean Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (KSUM), the Board of Directors of KSUM decided to convert our 32-year-old domestic journal, the *Journal of Korean Society of Ultrasound in Medicine*, to an international publication. For better accessibility, our renewed journal, *Ultrasonography*, is now being published in English and with open access, that is, with the full text of all articles freely available online. Online access to the text from past issues of the journal is also available to maintain a record of valuable research from the past.

Ultrasonography is primarily dedicated to original research encompassing all of the subspecialties of ultrasound in medicine. Along with original papers, the journal also contains invited review articles about current technological or clinical issues, pictorial essays presenting intuitive educational materials, and a few select case reports having an important impact on patient management. *Ultrasonography* will also serve as a medium for cooperation among physicians and specialists worldwide focusing on various ultrasound technology and disease problems.

We have established the Editorial Board, comprising an international group of outstanding scientists, to meet global standards in the process of peer reviewing submitted papers as well as collaborating across borders. We will try to complete the review process and inform authors of the status of their manuscripts within four to six weeks of submission. I believe that *Ultrasonography* will grow and will be widely noted in the near future. We envision having many distinguished papers from around the world published in our journal devoted to advances in the field of ultrasound in medicine. On behalf of all the members of the Editorial Board and publication staff, I look forward to receiving a strong range of submissions and contributions from international researchers as well as the members of the KSUM.

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