Network National medical associations journals
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• Svensk Kirurgi
• Kirurgen
• Magyar Sebészet (Hungarian Journal of Surgery)
• Hellenic Journal Of Surgery.
• Scandinavian Journal of Surgery
Summery

• 7 responses
• 6 want to cooperate
• 2 Journals with IF, highest 1.2
• 3 English language, 2 summeries in english, 2 national language only
• 6 Hardcopy and e-version, one hardcopy only
• 3 subscription fee,
Challenges

• Getting high quality papers submitted
• Reviewers
• Financial issues
• To start a process from member journal to peer reviewed medical journal
• Impactfactor!

• How do we proceed?
  • Workinggroup meeting Lissabon, autumn 2016?
Acta Chirurgica Belgica

- [wim.ceelen@ugent.be](mailto:wim.ceelen@ugent.be)
- Royal Belgian Society for Surgery;
- Taylor&Francis (since 1/1/2016)
- Hard copy and online only (starting 1/1/2016); 6 issues per year
- English
- General surgeons
- Current subscription rate 120 euro/year or 25 euro/issue
- IF: 0.4
- Clinical papers, case reports, experimental papers, papers on surgical technique, papers on surgical history
Acta Chirurgica Belgica

• Recruiting sufficient quality submissions

• Finding competent reviewers

• Vision
  • enhance impact and visibility through collaboration with publisher (T&F);
  • increase IF to one

• Potentially interesting
Rozhledy v chirurgii (Rozhl Chir) - Perspectives in Surgery,

• Miroslav Ryska, MD, Ph.D., Professor, miroslav.ryska@uvn.cz
• Czech Surgical Society
• 2016; 95 years, that means from 1921.
• Abstract and english fulltext in Pubmed.
• Czech or slovak, english summaries
• Hard copy - 2.000 issues, monthly
• Surgeons, gastroenterologists, traumatologists, ortopedics, radiologists and others
• Member of Czech surgical society, sponsors. price per issue is 117 Czech crowns, per yer 1.408 Czech crows (current change - 27 Czech crowns = 1 Eur)
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- control of quality by government yearly
Rozhledy v chirurgii (Rozhl Chir) - Perspectives in Surgery,

• Editorial, overview, original papers, case reports - in every issue, surgical news and others

• Wish to obtain IF

• International collaboration is very useful,

• Would like to participate
Svensk Kirurgi

• Jakob.hedberg@svenskkirurgi.se
• Svensk Kirurgisk Förening (Swedish surgical society)
• 1974, 6 issues per year.
• Articles of interest to Swedish surgeons
• Swedish. No summaries in English yet.
• Approximately 1700 readers.
• Financed by the Swedish Surgical Society
• Distributed to all members.
• No IF
Svensk kirurgi

• Clinical, basic science, translational research, clinical cases, editorials, published abstracts for journals, surgical news, congress calendars, biographies,

• Emphasis on clinical science and state of the art.

• The main challenge is to recruit good articles.

• Cooperation would be very interesting.
Kirurgen

• Usman Saeed - usman.saeed@kirurgen.no
• Society: Norwegian surgical society.
• Publishing company: DRD (WWW.DRD.NO)
• First issue in 2002.
• The scope is 3500 copies per issue.
• 4 issues a year.
• Hard copy and e-version
• Norwegian. No summary in english
Kirurgen

- Primarily Norwegian surgeons, but also issued to hospitals, libraries etc.
- Fully available online for free.
- 3500 readers of the hard copy.
- Plus many more through the website
- Norwegian surgical society and advertisement through medical companies.
- No subscription fee - all surgeons registered with norwegian surgical society receives a free copy
- No IF
Kirurgen

- All kind of articles.
- Mainly clinical articles.
- Every issue has a separate clinical theme, where minimum 5 clinical articles related to that field are published.
- Separate section for news from the society
- Clinical articles not related to the theme, and presentation of the various surgical units around the country
Kirurgen

• Main issue is economy.
• The pharmaceutical industry is not as willing to buy ad space as they used to.
• Our vision is to get an impact factor in the future by having short English summaries (abstracts)
Kirurgen

- Collaboration would be interesting as it would be a good source to exchange clinical practice between countries.
- And to publish good surgical related articles that the bigger journals refuse.
- Easier to maybe achieve an impact factor?
- Exchange ideas to how to better the finances.
- Regretfully no one has the time to participate in such a working group at this moment of time. But this can change in the future
Magyar Sebészet (Hungarian Journal of Surgery)

- Edited by Akadémiai Kiadó, Budapest.
- Editor-in-Chief: Attila Oláh, drolaha@gmail.com
- Hungarian Surgical Society
- 1906.
- Abdominal, vascular, thoracic and plastic surgery.
- Hardcopy and e-version
- 6/years
- Hungarian, summaries in English
- Members of our society, appr. 1200 surgeons
Magyar Sebészet (Hungarian Journal of Surgery)

• Hungarian Surgical Society.
• 15 Eu/year
• No impact factor. Indexed in PubMed
• Clinical, basic science, translational research, clinical cases, editorials, published abstracts for journals, surgical news, congress calendars, biographies, others
• We have two main problems:
  • regression of financial support;
  • reduction of high-quality papers in Hungarian language (due to the English summaries in PubMed, no chance to publish them in both languages)
Magyar Sebészet (Hungarian Journal of Surgery)

• Yes, we are curious about any collaboration between other journals from small European countries.

- Editor-in-Chief: Conatantine Karaliotas, email: ckaraliotas@msn.com
- Hellenic Surgical Society.
- Springer
- First issue was published in 1928.
- To share our surgical experience in Greece and to attract articles from other countries.
- Hard copy and e-version.
- Six issues yearly

• English is the official language.
• The surgical community in of the Greece and readers, internationally, via Springer electronic link.
• The Hellenic Surgical Society finances the journal and sometimes putting a small number of advertisements adverti
• There is no an impact factor yet, but we try to succeed this.
• We accept every type of scientific article related to surgical field.
• We try to earn a wider acceptance and to acquire impact factor
• Yes we favor a collaboration at a european level.
• The areas of collaboration I think is a point for even more discussion, because it has many details.
• Constantine Karaliotas and Sophocles Lanitis and Georgios Zografos could participate in a working group. You already have the e-mails.
Scandinavian Journal of Surgery

• Finnish Surgical Society
• Around 1948,
• All fields of surgery,
• Hardcopy and e-version
• 4 Issues annually
• English
• 2000 readers
• Finnish Surgical Society, journal included in membership fee
Scandinavian Journal of Surgery

• Impactfactor, 1.2
• Mainly clinical content
• Main challenge getting good articles
• Not really interested in cooperation
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