

Editorial

Since 2008, I have served as editor of the World Journal of Laparoscopic Surgery (WJOLS). I have done this while practicing and teaching Minimal Access Surgery. Working with surgeons and gynecologists on the frontline from more than 108 countries, I know the importance of reliable information in advanced laparoscopic and other allied minimal access surgical procedures. With respect to modern MIS research, laparoscopic and da Vinci robotic surgical information is now a substantial component of what we publish. In WJOLS, we do not only publish articles because they may make headlines, we but publish them for their scientific value and evidenced-based clinical utility.



In WJOLS we are regularly providing a value added educational surgical DVD related to laparoscopic and robotic surgery. As we grew, we have substantially changed the type of research we published. We have also improved WJOLS's performance and reporting. With the time based on our prior experience we improved the publication of original research and we have developed a way to find the most authoritative and least biased review articles and editorials rather than pursuing a prejudicial approach with commercial entities.

In 2008, only less than a third of our readers accessed the WJOLS electronically. In 2015, nearly 90% of readers' usage is on our digital platform at wjols.com and it is growing substantially. Most of the articles are now getting indexed with very high ranking to almost all the search engines of the world. I am sure with the increasing popularity and due to love of the readers very soon WJOLS will be the most popular journal of laparoscopic surgery in whole world.

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