Dear Dr. Selcuk Tunali MD, PhD

Editor-in-Chief / Publisher, IJAV:

Thanks for putting together this article submission tool in the form of IJAV for Anatomy and my sincere compliments to you and the members of Scientific Advisory Board to take the road in this arduous journey [1]. It has made link building way easier and presented a platform for us to publish or demonstrate our works at international level.

No doubt IJAV is peculiar and unique as it is an open access journal giving right to readers to “read, download, distribute, copy, print, search, or link” to the full texts of the articles free of charge. Not accepting advertisements or link/banner exchange and personally funding website are showing its transparency and compatibility towards goals and its speedy review and rapid publication making it more attractive. IJAV has initiated a collaborative and interdisciplinary approach towards medical science.

Previously the publication was not chargeable but now fee is being applied for the manuscripts submitted after April 17th, 2010 and a waiver is being granted for lower income countries, students, and authors experiencing financial hardship, upon contacting the Editor-in-Chief with this waiver procedure completely confidential between the author and the Editor-in-Chief. It is a reasonable step for the maintenance of the journal by viewing the increasingly high number of submissions and fee is much less than those charged by many other journals [2]. The necessity of having a simple accessible, systematized and perfect journal had been long felt in anatomy, which is now fulfilled by the nice IJAV. A sincere attempt has been made to deal. The entire approach is such as to attract and inspire the readers and researchers for a deeper dive in the subject of Anatomy.

I have gone through some portion of IJAV and found interesting specially the articles titled ‘Variant origin of right testicular artery’ by Salve et al. [3], ‘Multiple variations of the branches of abdominal aorta’ by Inecikli et al. [4]. I feel the IJAV informs, educates and entertains through its myriad columns and is very useful to surgeons, clinicians and researchers of the medical field.

Dear Sir, only ‘Notice of retraction’ in a recent case is not enough where article was already published in a national journal in India and one other journal [5]. Medical Council of India recommends mandatory requirement of five publications (four in nationals and one in international journal) for the promotions of Associate Professor and Professor. In my opinion, legal and punishable actions should be applied against such cases to avoid inconvenience and to obstruct such type of happenings.

I would like to exhibit my one more personal opinion that along with anatomical variations and clinical case reports, the IJAV should also give opportunity for expression of individual opinions on anatomical field of medical education under column ‘Speaking for Myself’.

At the last I express my gratitude to the Editorial Board of IJAV for their admirable devotion and wish a splendid and bright future of IJAV.

Thanks,  
Sincerely,  
Dr. D. K. Sharma 

References


