



Three-year Summary (2007–2009) and Acknowledgements

Time flies very fast and the years pass like a shuttle. Three years have elapsed since the *Chinese Journal of Dental Research* changed its publishing policy from mainly translating articles which were published in Chinese journals into only accepting and publishing original articles in 2007. This is a radical change and has been strongly supported by the Chinese Stomatological Association (CSA), the Peking University School of Stomatology (PKUSS) and Dr Horst-Wolfgang Haase, the president of Quintessence Publishing. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all of them for their great support and help. Without their support, it would have been impossible to accomplish the historical change to the journal.

The *Chinese Journal of Dental Research* is the only official English-language journal of the CSA and is sponsored by the CSA and PKUSS. It is now a peer-reviewed general dental journal. It is open to the whole world and welcomes contributions not only from China, but also from the rest of the countries of the world. The editorial board and reviewers consist of well-known professors in China and abroad to ensure the scientific quality of the journal. The *Chinese Journal of Dental Research* is now distributed in many countries and has gained more and more attention in the dental field of the world, especially in developing countries. In the latest five issues since the publishing policy changed there have been 56 articles published, including 6 invited reviews, 1 special report, 38 scientific articles and 11 case reports from Asia, Europe, the United States, Australia and so on.

The current issue includes two invited reviews. One of the reviews is on microvascular autologous submandibular gland transfer in severe cases of keratoconjunctivitis sicca by Professor Guang-yan Yu, in which the authors reviewed the important achievements from their group in the latest 10 years; another one is from

Professor Hong-zhang Huang on the invasiveness study of ameloblastoma. Eight original articles are contributed by the groups of Dr Xiao-song Liu, Dr Xiaoling Wang, Dr Xing-min Qu, Dr Dong Li, Dr Xin Deng, Dr Shuang-ying Zhou (from Peking University School of Stomatology, China), Dr Qi Liu (from Zunyi Medical College, China), and Dr Shashikala (from the Dental College and Hospital of Karnataka, India). Additionally, two interesting case reports contributed by Dr Yun Wang from Peking University School of Stomatology, China, and Dr Idris Faiq Qaradaghi, from Peramerd Dental Speciality Centre, Iraq, are also included in this issue.

As the official journal of the CSA, the journal is supported by all the main elite schools of stomatology in China. I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of them. The journal needs strong support from all the faculties or schools of stomatology in China. Without their support, it would be impossible to run this journal successfully.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge gratefully the support from all the peer reviewers of this journal for their precious devotion. I would like to express my sincere gratitude again to Dr Horst-Wolfgang Haase and Mr Christian Haase for their generous and long-term support to the journal. I wish and I do believe that the *Chinese Journal of Dental Research* will be run successfully and gradually become one of the influential dental professional journals in the world. I hope that the journal will play increasingly important roles in dental professional communication and in the promotion of the academic level of basic and clinical research in the dental field all over the world.

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