

Editorial

SEVENTEEN YEARS OF UN-INTERRUPTED PUBLISHING OF THE APCRI JOURNAL

The first of the many Aims & Objectives of APCRI was “to bring out regularly a bulletin of the association, which will cover the various scientific aspects of Rabies and will keep its members updated regarding newer developments on this fatal disease. It should be the aim of the Editor to maintain a simple yet practical approach in the discussion on various topics”.

Dr. Anil Dutta, was the first Editor of the APCRI Journal. The first issue of the APCRI Journal was published on the occasion of the first conference of APCRI, on 25th July, 1999, at Kolkata. This was no small achievement. He did a marvelous job and brought out a splendid journal from scratch. Following the transfer of Dr. Anil Dutta from New Delhi, in April 2000, to Lyon in France, Dr. S. N. Madhusudana from NIMHANS Bangalore took over as Editor of the APCRI Journal.

Dr. S. N. Madhusudana was a stalwart in the field of rabies. He used all his academic expertise to bring out issues regularly, and they were of very high standard scientifically. Dr. Madhusudana edited the issues of the APCRI Journal brought out at the 2nd APCRICON in July 2000, 3rd APCRICON in July 2001, 4th APCRICON in July 2002 and the 5th APCRICON in July 2003. With this his term ended.

APCRI Journal had the privilege of having two very intelligent, resourceful and technically competent persons as editors for the first five years

of its continuous publication. The first five issues contained articles of great merit.

Dr. Mahesh Prasad Sharma of Jaipur, was the Editor of the Sixth issue of the APCRI Journal published at the 6th APCRICON in July 2004.

From 8th July, 2005, I took over as editor of the APCRI Journal. Immediately after taking charge I could bring out the 7th issue of the APCRI Journal in July 2005, with very active co-operation of the Executive Committee of APCRI. This was the first time the APCRI Journal got published entirely by the efforts of APCRI members. Funds for publishing and circulation were generated from Advertisements. The APCRI Journal got its ISSN in July 2006. The process of peer reviewing of all articles was started.

The APCRI Journal is being published continuously for more than 17 years. Since 2006, it has been regularly published two times a year. The Journal has an international circulation. The APCRI Journal has been indexed in Index Copernicus International since 2013, and regularly thereafter. It is very difficult to get an good articles on a subject like rabies regularly and be able to bring out two issues a year regularly over such a long period. I sincerely appreciate the hard work of my seniors, contemporaries and juniors working in the field of Rabies for their contributions in the effort to bring out this journal regularly over so many years.