



The year of IJGP's inception '2007' was full of teething troubles, and it was in the year of 2008 that the journal entered into systematic growth phase. I am delighted to share the success of IJGP to all its stakeholders, most importantly – the readers, the authors and the reviewers. As 'editorial board' we find our role that of facilitator between 'authors' and 'reviewers', amongst whom the actual transaction takes place. I am putting forward to you a thorough analysis of the journal's performance during 2008.

TOP-10 TALLY

I devoted my entire editorial of the last issue praising Saluja and Kamboj for having the highest viewership,

3929 (at that point of time), and as I am writing this editorial the count has crossed 20,000. There are number of papers that crossed 1000 mark. The top-10 tally is provided in Table 1.

ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION RATES

IJGP has received a very warm response from the researchers as is evident from large number of submissions. In 2008 we received 305 articles, out of which 74 have been accepted for publication. Details are provided in Table 2. A high rejection rate of 70% does not indicate that many of the submitted articles did not have the required quality; it is primarily because of the space constraint that we are required to make selections.

Table 1: Top-10 tally for the year 2008

Rank	Article particulars	Access statistics*
1.	<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i> L.: A review on its phytochemical and pharmacological profile Kamboj Anjoo, Saluja Ajay Kumar Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 2 First page: 59	22,791
2.	Herbal drugs in milieu of modern drugs Inamdar Nazma, Edalat Shima, Kotwal Vikram B, Pawar Sunita Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 1 First page: 2	10,062
3.	Characterization and evaluation of natural copal gum-resin as film forming material Umekar Milind J, Yeole Pramod G Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 1 First page: 37	6177
4.	<i>Psidium guajava</i> L: A review Kamath JV, Rahul Nair, Ashok Kumar CK, Lakshmi S Mohana Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 1 First Page: 9	6141
5.	<i>Pongamia pinnata</i>: Phytochemical constituents, traditional uses and pharmacological properties: A review Chopade VV, Tankar AN, Pande VV, Tekade AR, Gowekar NM, Bhandari SR, Khandake SN Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 2 First page: 72	5158
6.	Comparative study on effect of natural and synthetic superdisintegrants in the formulation of fast dissolving tablets Chakraborty Santanu, Khandai Madhusmriti, Singh Satya Prakash, Ch. Patra Nirranjan Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 1 First page: 22	4099
7.	Some rare plants of ethnomedicinal properties from Jalgaon district of Maharashtra Mali Prashant Y, Bhadane Vijay V Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 2 First page: 76	3701
8.	Aromatherapy: Short overview Bharkatiya Meenakshi, Nema Rajesh K, Rathore Kamal Singh, Panchawat Sunita Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 1 First page: 13	3655
9.	Estrogenic activity of petroleum ether extract of seeds of <i>Citrus medica</i> on immature albino rats Sharangouda, Patil Saraswati B Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 2 First page: 91	3464
10.	Evaluation of anti-nociceptive activity of <i>Cissus quadrangularis</i> on albino mice Mate GS, Naikwade NS, Magdum CS, Chowki AA, Patil SB Year: 2008 Volume: 2 Issue: 2 First page: 118	3031

*as on 11/12/2008 (2pm)

Table 2: IJGP acceptance rate 2008

Article type	Submitted	Accepted (%)	Rejected (%)	Under review (%)
Case Report	16	2 (13)	11 (69)	3 (19)
Editorial Commentary	4	1 (25)	3 (75)	0 (0)
Letter To Editor	7	2 (29)	5 (71)	0 (0)
Original Article	278	69 (25)	157 (56)	52 (19)
Total Decisions	250	74 (30)	176 (70)	-
Total Articles	305	74 (24)	176 (58)	55 (18)

Table 3: Journal performance 2008

Submitted to first decision for the year: 2008	
Number of articles submitted	305
Days to suggest reviewers	23.71 [0, 79]
Days taken by reviewers	18.58 [0, 80]
Days taken by editor for decision	13.09 [0, 123]
Days until the article is under review	55.38
Revisions for the year: 2008	
Days from first decision until revision arrives	21.63 [0, 113]
Days for the editor to take decision	18.17 [0, 45]
Articles rereviewed	7
Days for rereview by reviewers	5.25 [0, 7]
Days to send revision decision by editors	18.17 [0, 45]
Days from revision receipt to revision decision	41.59
Accepted articles for the year: 2008	
Days from first submission to acceptance	88.05 [2, 230]
Days from acceptance to publication	185.7 [160, 238]

Table 4: Author registration

Total number of authors registered with the site	437
Number of authors who have submitted manuscripts	243
Number of authors who have submitted more than one manuscript	6
Number of manuscripts from abroad	46 [15%]

Table 5: Country wise distribution of manuscripts

Country	Manuscripts submitted	Country	Manuscripts submitted
Algeria	1	Iraq	3
Brazil	1	Israel	1
Ethiopia	1	Malaysia	2
Hong Kong S.A.R.	2	Mexico	1
Iceland	1	Nigeria	12
India	264	Saudi Arabia	1
Indonesia	1	Thailand	1
Iran	12	Turkey	1

JOURNAL PERFORMANCE

It is every researcher's desire to get his/her article published at the earliest, which is in the interest of other stakeholders too. Due to rapid knowledge explosion, with time, the researches start diminishing their value. We, at the editorial office try to reduce the cycle time as much as possible; still, the peer reviewing process takes its own time. The measure in 2008 on this aspect is shown in Table 3. The time taken

Table 6: Reviewer performance

Total referees	530
Number of reviewers used [/article]	468 (2)
Number of reviewers responded [/article]	211 (1)
R reviewers on time	56%
Delay in returned	15%
Never returned	29%

Table 7: Country wise referees

Country	Manuscripts reviewed	Country	Manuscripts reviewed
Albania	1	Korea	5
Argentina	2	Kuwait	1
Aruba	1	Lebanon	1
Australia	3	Libya	1
Austria	6	Lithuania	1
Barbados	1	Madagascar	1
Belgium	4	Malaysia	9
Bermuda	1	Mexico	4
Bolivia	1	Morocco	2
Brazil	19	Nepal	2
Burkina Faso	2	Netherlands, The	1
Cameroon	2	New Zealand	1
Canada	9	Nigeria	10
Chile	3	Norway	5
China	46	Oman	1
Comoros	1	Pakistan	9
Cuba	2	Philippines	3
Cyprus	1	Poland	3
Czech Republic	1	Portugal	3
Denmark	2	Russia	1
Egypt	14	Saudi Arabia	3
Finland	3	Senegal	1
France	1	Serbia	1
Germany	12	Slovakia	3
Greece	6	South Africa	7
Honduras	1	Spain	10
Hong Kong S.A.R.	3	Sweden	1
Hungary	2	Switzerland	1
Iceland	1	Taiwan	8
India	131	Tanzania	1
Indonesia	2	Thailand	12
Iran	16	Trinidad And Tobago	2
Iraq	2	Tunisia	1
Israel	2	Turkey	20
Italy	19	Uganda	1
Japan	16	Ukraine	1
Jordan	1	United Arab Emirates	1
Kazakhstan	1	United Kingdom	12
Kenya	2	USA	37

from 'acceptance' to 'publication' is still very high. Our onus in 2009 would be to reduce this time.

AUTHORS

IJGP succeeded in attracting a large number of authors in 2008 as is revealed by Tables 4 and 5. Although, most of the contributions are still from India, the journal is spreading its wings in other countries, and as of now, represents over 15 countries.

REVIEWERS

This remains the front where the journal succeeded the most, a whopping 530 number of referees from 78 countries generously contributed in peer reviewing. Owing to the rigorous involvement of reviewers, it is almost certain that the published contents were of high quality. Hence, the authors should feel pride in having passed this test. Table 6 represents the reviewers' performance, while Table 7 represents country wise distribution of the manuscript review.

Amidst global economic meltdown, wishing you all "A very

happy and prosperous 2009," on behalf of entire editorial team.



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