THE ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OF THE ISRJEM

The development of the Israeli Journal of Emergency Medicine (ISRJEM), like the field of Emergency Medicine itself, has been no mean feat. With the hectic and demanding work environment of the emergency medicine physician, the heavy clinical load and the limited resources, finding the time and means to conduct meaningful research and academic study poses a real challenge. Nevertheless, without the opportunities to exchange knowledge and ideas on clinical, epidemiologic, management and theoretical aspects of emergency medicine that our journal offers, there would be no advances in the field, no quality assurance, no enrichment, and no benefit to our many patients.

The journal is now in a transition period, overcoming its teething pains, expanding and

reaching new frontiers, professionally and geographically. We are greatly encouraged by the heightened commitment of the current IAEM Board to fully support the journal, and we look forward to charting promising new directions for the journal as the field of emergency medicine changes and grows.

With this issue, we again bring you scholarly material from clinicians and researchers in Israel and abroad, presenting original research, relevant review articles, and provocative case reports.

We thank all authors and supporters of the ISRJEM for their work thus far, and we welcome new submissions of quality and interest to our readers.

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