2019 Annual Report

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1. Basic information

AME Medical Journal (ISSN 2520-0518; AME Med J; AMJ; amj.amegroups.com)

- An open-access, peer-review journal
- The official journal of the AME College
- Covers a wide field in the medical world
- Aims to bring comprehensive academic knowledge to young physicians and surgeons in a vivid and interesting way and in turn, benefits patients
2. Message from the Editors-in-Chief

Our renewed and grateful thanks go to all editors, authors, and reviewers who have been supportive, and have devoted much of their time and effort in nurturing AMJ. This continuous support has been pivotal to the development of the journal.

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4. Geographic Distribution of Editorial Board Members

- **USA**: 31%
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- **China**: 17%
- **Others**: 13%
- **Canada**: 4%
- **Germany**: 4%
- **Italy**: 10%
- **Japan**: 10%
- **Switzerland**: 4%
- **UK**: 8%

**All together 52 Members** from all over the world

- 2 Editors-in-Chief
- 4 Associate Editors-in-Chief
- 1 Associate Editor
- 45 Editorial Board members
AMJ has published 63 articles in total, among which 19% are review articles, 13% are original articles, and 29% are editorials, which are solicited subjective views and opinions on the latest advances/significant studies in the medical field.
6. Geographic Distribution of Corresponding Authors

AMJ authors come from many parts of the world, including USA, China, Italy, Australia, Canada, UK, Spain, etc. The wide international spread of authors is one unique characteristic of the journal.

Among the 63 corresponding authors in 2019, **43% come from USA, 21% from China, 8% from Canada**, with the rest from 16 countries around the world.
Data were collected from Google Analytics on Dec 31 2019.
8. Distribution of Website Visits in 2019

All together 66,005 users from different countries worldwide. Users from the United States rank first with a contribution of 41.74% to the total (100%) of 66,005, followed by readers from India, UK, Canada, Australia, China, Japan, etc.

Data were collected from Google Analytics on Dec. 31, 2019.
## Top 10 Most Viewed Articles Published in 2019

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<td>Vol 4 (February 2019)</td>
<td>An improved external penile support</td>
<td>Letter to the Editor</td>
<td>Mingguang Yi(Australia)</td>
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<td>Vol 4 (July 2019)</td>
<td>Low intensity extracorporeal shockwave therapy on erectile dysfunction—first results from a prospective study</td>
<td>Original Article</td>
<td>Pedro Costa(Portugal)</td>
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<td>Vol 4 (March 2019)</td>
<td>What should be done for patients with liver lesions in the LI-RADS 2 and 3 categories?</td>
<td>Editorial Commentary</td>
<td>Fernando Gomes Romeiro(Brazil)</td>
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<td>Vol 4 (January 2019)</td>
<td>Primary spontaneous pneumothorax: a pathway to practice</td>
<td>Review Article</td>
<td>Sandeep J. Khandhar(USA)</td>
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<td>Albumin administration for refractory ascites in cirrhotic patients</td>
<td>Editorial</td>
<td>Kazuto Tajiri(Japan)</td>
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<td>Vol 4 (December 2019)</td>
<td>Advances in penile reconstructive techniques for primary penile tumors</td>
<td>Review Article</td>
<td>Lucas R. Wiegand(USA)</td>
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<td>Vol 4 (June 2019)</td>
<td>Paragraphs in medical writing</td>
<td>Medical Writing Corner</td>
<td>John Ayric Gray(China)</td>
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<td>Vol 4 (February 2019)</td>
<td>Misdiagnosis of ileocecal tuberculosis—diagnostic dilemma with Crohn’s disease</td>
<td>Case Report</td>
<td>Venu Madhav Konala(USA)</td>
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## 10. Top 5 Most Cited Articles Published in AMJ

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<td>Vol 2, No 3 (March 2017)</td>
<td>Fake peer reviews, fake identities, fake accounts, fake data: beware!</td>
<td>Commentary</td>
<td>Jaime A. Teixeira da Silva (Japan)</td>
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<td>Vol 2, No 7 (July 2017)</td>
<td>Caution with the continued use of Jeffrey Beall’s “predatory” open access publishing lists</td>
<td>Editorial</td>
<td>Jaime A. Teixeira da Silva (Japan)</td>
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<td>Vol 2, No 6 (June 2017)</td>
<td>The preprint wars</td>
<td>Editorial</td>
<td>Jaime A. Teixeira da Silva (Japan)</td>
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<td>Vol 2, No 5 (May 2017)</td>
<td>Lumbar spinal stenosis: an update on the epidemiology, diagnosis and treatment</td>
<td>Review Article</td>
<td>Kenny Kwan (China)</td>
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<td>Vol 2, No 1 (January 2017)</td>
<td>Robotic-assisted right middle lobectomy</td>
<td>Case Report</td>
<td>Hecheng Li (China)</td>
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## 11. Funded Articles Published in 2019

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<td>Review Article: 3D printing for airway disease</td>
<td>NIH-NCAI grant support (grant 1U54HL119810-03)</td>
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<td>Editorial: Autoimmune hepatitis related acute and acute on chronic liver failure: lost in translation</td>
<td>This work was funding by Liver Institute PLLC</td>
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<td>Original Article: Practice patterns for the treatment of idiopathic infertility: is there a role for advanced semen testing?</td>
<td>SA Krawetz: Research supported in part from a Fertility Innovations grant from MERCK</td>
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<td>Editorial: Personalised treatment for prostate cancer patients: are we there yet?</td>
<td>Work in the McEwan laboratory is supported by local charities Friends of Anchor, Cranes and NHS Grampian</td>
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Focused Issue: Rare Genitourinary Malignancies

Philippe E. Spiess, MD, MS, FACS
Department of Genitourinary Oncology, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute, Tampa, FL, USA

Focused issue outline:

01. Preface
02. Advances in care of GU melanomas
03. Soft tissue sarcomas of the genitourinary system
04. Updates in the management of scrotal cancer
05. Review on urethral cancer
06. Systemic therapies in the management of advanced adrenocortical carcinoma
07. Where do we stand in the care of extra-gonadal germ cell tumors
08. Advances in penile reconstructive techniques for primary penile tumors
09. International experience with penile sparing surgery for T1 and T2 primary penile tumors
10. Unusual case of an undescended testicle
11. Case of extra-renal Wilms in an adult: How do we treat?
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Focused Issue: Malignant Pleural Effusion

Dragan R. Subotic, MD
Clinic for thoracic surgery, University hospital Basel, Switzerland

Focused issue outline:

01. Etiopathogenesis of malignant pleural effusion
02. Primary lung cancer and pleural effusion - diagnostic and therapeutic approach
03. Pleural carcinosis caused by extrathoracic malignancies
04. Malignant pleural effusion and methods of nonsurgical pleurodesis
05. Possibilities of surgical pleurodesis for malignant pleural effusion
06. Malignant pleural effusion and trapped lung
07. Prognostic factors of malignant pleural effusion
08. Malignant pleural effusion and Mesothelioma
09. Malignant pleural effusion: is the histological diagnosis always necessary?
10. Primary lung cancer and pleural effusion: always a criterion of inoperability?
11. Role of chemotherapy, immunotherapy and targeted treatment in patients with malignant pleural effusion
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Focused Issue: Bladder cancer

Marco Moschini, MD
Clinic of Urology, Luzerner Kantonsspital, Lucerne, Switzerland

Focused issue outline:

01. Predictive models in bladder cancer: can we predict preoperatively survival outcomes after radical cystectomy?
02. The effect of smoking cessation in patients diagnosed with bladder cancer
03. Role and efficacy of current biomarker in bladder cancer
04. Therapeutic management of BCG refractory patients: a narrative review
05. The effect of local treatment in metastatic bladder cancer patients
06. Enhanced recovery after surgery (ERAS) in patients treated with radical cystectomy
07. Indication and prognostic value of second transurethral resection in bladder cancer patients
08. How long can we safely delay neoadjuvant chemotherapy in radical cystectomy candidates without affecting survival outcomes? A narrative review
09. The impact of histological variants on bladder cancer outcomes
10. Lymph node dissection during radical cystectomy: indications, extension and impact on survival outcomes
11. Bladder sparing techniques for muscle invasive bladder cancer
12. The impact of robotic surgery in bladder cancer patients
13. Reporting outcomes after radical cystectomy: a narrative review
14. The effect of perioperative transfusion on oncological outcomes in radical cystectomy patients: a narrative review
15. The impact of en bloc transurethral resection of the bladder on pathological and oncological outcomes
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Focused issue outline:

01. **Coronary artery bypass grafting: Yesterday, today & tomorrow**
    Shahzad G. Raja, Department of Cardiac Surgery, Harefield Hospital, London, United Kingdom

02. **Conduits for coronary artery bypass grafting**
    Salil V. Deo, Department of Surgery, University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center, Cleveland, OH, USA; Division of Cardiac Surgery, Harrington Heart and Vascular Institute, Cleveland, OH, USA

03. **Bilateral internal mammary artery grafting**
    Mario Gaudino, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, Weill Cornell Medicine, New York, NY, USA

04. **Total & multiple arterial coronary artery bypass grafting**
    Umberto Benedetto, Bristol Heart Institute, University of Bristol, Bristol, United Kingdom

05. **Conventional coronary artery bypass grafting**
    Nikolaos A. Papakonstantinou, Department of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery, "Evangelismos" General Hospital, Athens, Greece

06. **Off-pump coronary artery bypass grafting**
    Shahzad G. Raja, Department of Cardiac Surgery, Harefield Hospital, London, United Kingdom

07. **Minimally invasive direct coronary artery bypass**
    Shahzad G. Raja, Department of Cardiac Surgery, Harefield Hospital, London, United Kingdom

08. **Hybrid coronary revascularisation**
    Piroze M. Davierwala, Heart Center, University of Leipzig, Leipzig, Germany

09. **Redo coronary artery bypass grafting**
    Lokeswara Rao Saja, STAR Hospitals, Telangana, India

**Focused Issue on Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting**

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Focused Issue: Immune Response in Lung Cancer

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Focused issue outline:

01. Editorial
02. Effect of smoking on immune response in lung
03. Immune response in lung CA detection
04. Immune response in suspicious lung nodules
05. Immune response in the peripheral blood of stage I lung cancer
06. Immune response in the tumor microenvironment of stage I lung cancer
07. Lymphatic drainage in lung cancer
08. Research advance in tumor specific antigens
09. Pathologic assessment of immune/inflammatory response in lung cancer
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Focused issue outline:

01. The Surgical Approaches of a Localized Renal Mass
Simon P. Kim, Division of Urology, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Center, Aurora, Colorado, USA
Jeffrey Morrison, Division of Urology, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Center, Aurora, Colorado, USA

02. Principles of Salvage adical Prostatectomy
William Parker, Department of Urology, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, KS, USA

03. Predictors of Pathologically Aggressive Prostate Cancer and Surgical Management
Srinivas Vourganti, Division of Urology, Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, IL, USA

04. Surgical Management of High-Risk Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma
Pranav Sharma, Department of Urology, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, TX, USA

05. Surgical Principles of Primary and Post-Chemotherapy RPLND
Nicholas Cost, Department of Surgery, Division of Urology, University of Colorado, Aurora, CO, USA

06. The Surgical Management of Locally Advanced Kidney Cancer
Samuel Antoine, Department of Surgery, University of Colorado Anschutz School of Medicine, Aurora, CO, USA
Granville Lloyd, Department of Surgery, Rocky Mountain Regional Veterans Hospital, University of Colorado Anschutz School of Medicine, Aurora, CO, USA

07. Urinary Diversion and Reconstruction following Radical Cystectomy for Bladder Cancer
Eugene K. Lee, Department of Urology, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, KS, USA

08. Surgical Principles of Penile Cancer for Penectomy and Inguinal Lymph Node Dissection
Tyo Higuchi, Department of Surgery, Division of Urology, University of Colorado, Aurora, CO, USA

Focused Issue: Surgical Management of Genitourinary Malignancies

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13. Introduction of the Publisher AME

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