

Happy tenth anniversary

This year marks the 10th anniversary of Pakistan Orthodontic Journal. The journal was originally founded as a collaborative effort of the 2009 PAO council. The journal started publishing highlights of orthodontic research produced in Pakistan and has since evolved into a full scientific open-access journal. Currently, the journal publishes articles mostly from Pakistan and includes important international contributions as well.

Ten years ago we launched this journal based on the simple premise that authors wanted their articles to “be free, be everywhere”. The advent of the internet made it possible to be “everywhere,” while the emergence of the concept of open access allowed us to be “free” by allowing completely unrestricted access to every article. Today, as we look back over our first decade, we see that our premise was correct. In a short time, the journal has risen from nothing to become a leading publication in orthodontics in Pakistan. Numbers for submissions, publications, internet access, downloads, and citations all have reached remarkable levels and continue to increase.

Thanks to all of the authors, reviewers, and loyal readers who have dedicated their efforts and expertise to developing Pakistan Orthodontic Journal. The success of the Journal in the first decade is commendable. At the journal, we will continue to serve the orthodontic community specifically and the dental community at large to the best of our ability and hope that you will continue to develop and expand the field with your advice, research, and submissions.

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