

WELCOME NOTE

Dear Colleagues and Researchers,

I am delighted to welcome you to the launch of The International Journal of Physiotherapy and Research. I wish to extend my gratitude to the Executive Chief Editor and the members of the Editorial Board as they are the backbone of this scientific endeavour. We could not envisage starting this journal without the support of the physiotherapists interested in research and wishing to make this journal a success.

Over the past few decades, physiotherapists have been encouraged to take an evidence-based approach for the academic and clinical practice of physiotherapy. According to the cf. Graham et al 2006, Research may be defined as a scientific systematic search of knowledge, which best generates new knowledge that possibly might be transferred into practice. In the past, there was less evidence based practice and research in physiotherapy which made it difficult for implementation of new techniques and strategies. Research is the only solution to improve and update the quality of treatment plan and implementation of new skills in academic as well as clinical practices.

International Journal of Physiotherapy and Research is formed by a group of physiotherapists from different parts of the world with the intention of providing easy access for researchers in the field of physiotherapy to publish their research work in the various fields like musculoskeletal, neurology, cardiovascular, geriatrics and sports physiotherapy etc.

The aim of International Journal of Physiotherapy and Research is to publish original research and facilitate continuing professional development for physiotherapists and other health professions worldwide. There is a relatively large amount of high quality evidence available currently. Still there is a scope for improvements in the quality of the scientific reporting for academic and clinical interest, through various publications made available for the studies done by physiotherapists throughout the world.

Currently physiotherapy needs EBP to improve the quality of treatment plans and clinical decision making. International Journal of Physiotherapy and Research will provide a platform for evidence based practices for both academic and clinical practices. We wish to receive articles reporting original scientific research, systematic reviews or meta-analyses, case studies or debate articles. One of the special features of our journal is the image journal which provides rare images in clinical practice that will prove beneficial for physiotherapists to enrich the existing knowledge.

We sincerely hope that you continue to access our new journal, to enjoy the selection of articles and features, to submit manuscripts for publication, and to share your valuable thoughts regarding the contents of the journal.

Regards,
Mondam Srinivas,
Editor in Chief
IJPR.