

## A new section in *International Urogynecology Journal*: IUJ Video

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As the Editors-in-Chief of *International Urogynecology Journal*, we are always looking for ways to make the journal more attractive to our readers. The mainstays of a good article are, of course, text, tables and figures. However, it has become apparent – not least since YouTube became popular as a means of communication – that video, either as short clips or longer films, can be an extremely important tool to clarify a point, to demonstrate a procedure, or as a teaching instrument.

We have therefore decided to add a new article type: IUJ Video. We invite all authors to submit their videos through the normal submission process via Editorial Manager (<http://www.editorialmanager.com/iuj>), where videos of different formats can be uploaded easily. The video must be accompanied by a structured abstract of around 800 to 1200 words plus up to 5 references. The structured abstract must explain the purpose of the video, how the procedure was accomplished, and the conclusion. The video must not exceed 9 min in length, narration must be in English, and unnecessary audio (i.e. accompanying music) is discouraged. As for the contents, anything you think might be of interest to the

readers of the IUJ may be submitted: new procedures and techniques, unusual cases, didactic demonstrations. All videos submitted will be peer-reviewed, and once published can be referenced and cited. The first structured abstracts of IUJ Video with their accompanying videos are published in this issue of the journal.

The new section is in addition to what is already available in the IUJ, namely the addition of short videos (clips) to an article as “supplementary electronic material”. These clips should be considered a moving picture or figure.

Our publisher, Springer, is already considering ways of making IUJ Video more attractive and more user-friendly. As a starting point, readers will be able to download the videos from the SpringerLink website (<http://link.springer.com/journal/192>) and view them on their own computer. Eventually we hope to be able to offer video by streaming and also on smartphones and tablets.

We look forward to hearing back from you and to receiving your submission to make IUJ Video an interesting feature of our journal.

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