Vision 20/20 for the Second Leap of *Reproductive Sciences*

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A quarter-century has passed since the first issue of *Reproductive Sciences*, formerly *Journal of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation* (JSGI), was published with a review and 16 scientific papers in 1994.

Dr. Nicholas S. Assali, who was instrumental in the organization of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation (now the Society for Reproductive Investigation) and served as its third president, congratulated the launch of the journal after 4 decades of hesitation, debates, discussion, and poll taking. He advised that the creation of a journal to be the mouthpiece of the society and its scientific activities creates certain obligations on the part of members and non-members.

Dr. Rogerio A. Lobo, the first Editor-in-Chief (1994–2006), emphasized that the mission of JSGI is to publish cutting-edge research in all aspects of reproductive biology and that quality papers from members and non-members should be published as well as function as the society's forum. Those include important review papers, occasional editorials, and position papers. Despite the skepticism of many members toward this new venture, he expected that, although the first-year journal published quarterly issues, the number of volumes would increase in the years that follow. Subsequently, six issues were published in 1995 to 2002, eight in 2003 to 2007, ten in 2008, then, monthly from 2009 onwards.

Dr. Hugh S. Taylor, the second Editor-in-Chief (2007–2019), announced the beginning of a new era of the journal, under the new name *Reproductive Sciences*. The mission of journal was expanded to publishing high-quality papers that clearly elucidate the scientific basis of human reproduction and medical management of reproductive disorders. He promoted the journal to be preeminent one publishing translational studies in reproduction, and *Reproductive Sciences* became among the top-tier of its kind.

Now, we would like to announce another new era of Vision 20/20 for the second leap forward of the journal. Thanks to the sacrificial contribution by former Editor-in-Chief, Associate Editors, and editorial board members, *Reproductive Sciences* has clearer 20/20 vision with a stronger platform of publishing and sharing the leading investigational papers of reproductive biomedical science and technology. Our journal will surely continue to develop reproductive scientific publishing both in standards and in technology, as well as in basic research, translational medicine, and in clinical concept.

For this goal, the society formed a new editor searching task force and appointed two Editors-in-Chief, from North America and Northeast Asia, through proposal scrutiny and in-depth interviews. This reflects the rapidly increasing number of submissions from all around the globe. Also, the increasing diversity of regional submission and cross-continental reviews will be a promising strategy for soliciting more competent high-impact contributions.

Our publisher has changed over the years, and we are now publishing with Springer. We hope the new electronic submission system should be more systematic and comfortable for authors and reviewers. By implementing superb expertise of the editorial team and our outstanding publisher, *Reproductive Sciences* will keep providing

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robust and insightful articles to readers for more active dissemination and citation. We also welcome feedback and insights from our readers.

Reproductive Sciences will continue to publish original, peer-reviewed, research, and review articles and will also welcome commentaries, perspectives, short communications, letter to editors, position statements, and policy forums. The journal will continue to provide a multi-discipline destination, including all aspects of basic reproductive biology, maternal-fetal medicine, obstetrics, gynecology, reproductive endocrinology, urogynecology, fertility/infertility, embryology, gynecologic/reproductive oncology, developmental biology, stem cell research, molecular/cellular biology, and other related fields. We will also welcome contributions in regenerative medicine and tissue engineering regarding their applications to human reproduction. We are positioning *Reproductive Sciences* to be the preferred destination to important contributions in all aspects of basic, translational, and clinical human reproduction.

We hope that the readership will enjoy the more advanced façade of the journal and invite members and next-generation future members to contribute their scientific and biotechnological literature to expedite the second leap of *Reproductive Sciences*.

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