

Editor's note

The Management and Editorial Board as well as the Editor of the SAJCN wish our subscribers all the best for 2010.

In its first meeting of the year, the Management and Editorial Board acknowledged and unanimously adopted the activities of the SAJCN in 2009 and resolved to further consolidate such activities in 2010. The number of reviews will be gradually increased to a maximum of two reviews per issue in 2010, depending on availability, and Prof John Pettifor was appointed as the Guest Editor for the reviews section of the Journal. Case reports will become a standard feature in every SAJCN issue and Prof Renee Blaauw was appointed as the Guest Editor of this activity. The SAJCN's current efforts to build reviewer capacity will be strengthened and training workshops will be held during the two nutrition congresses in 2010 for interested professionals who wish to join the current reviewers' pool. A reader survey will be conducted during 2010 to determine subscribers' evaluation of the SAJCN's activities. The survey will initially be implemented (piloted) at the two nutrition congresses in 2010 where the SAJCN will be promoted. The publishers' contract was extended. The SAJCN website will be made more user-friendly.

All 2009 SAJCN issues were published on time as planned and the publishers were thanked for their contribution to adhering to the planned publication dates. The rejection rate of the SAJCN is currently at around 40% of submitted manuscripts. The time to publication has been shortened and, in 2009, the time to publication varied from three to nine months. Only manuscripts submitted in 2009 are currently under review. An emerging increase in the number of manuscripts received from African countries and other continents was noted.

A very special word of appreciation to all our reviewers who not only contributed to shortening the time to publication of a manuscript but also helped improve and guard SAJCN's review standards. Their support (in alphabetical order) is greatly acknowledged:

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