

A new chapter for the *Hong Kong Journal of Ophthalmology*

I am truly humbled to have been entrusted with the role of Editor-in-Chief of the *Hong Kong Journal of Ophthalmology* (HKJO) since June 2023. It is my great honor to work with our excellent editorial team and the College of Ophthalmologists of Hong Kong to advance the development of our Journal. My deep gratitude extends to my distinguished predecessors whose invaluable contributions elevated HKJO to its current renown. In particular, Dr Ian Wong and his editorial team (2015-2019) launched an online platform that made HKJO accessible and retrievable through Google Scholar. Subsequently, Dr Alvin Kwok and his editorial team (2019-2023) paved the way for indexing by (1) updating the Journal's online submission platform to meet the requirement of PubMed Central, (2) revising the author guidelines and submission processes to meet the standards of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors, (3) reformatting the Journal according to the standards of the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), and (4) initiating continuous online publication.

With the mission to promote ophthalmology research in Hong Kong, we are fully committed to advancing the

Journal's scientific standard and reputation. Getting HKJO indexed is thus crucial. Building on the solid foundation laid by Dr Wong and Dr Kwok and their teams, we are optimistic about getting HKJO indexed in the DOAJ soon. Afterwards, we shall prepare for indexing in PubMed Central.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge our dedicated Editorial Board. In particular, I am grateful to Dr Alvin Au who will continue to serve as Associate Editor. With the support of our ophthalmology community, we are fully committed to taking HKJO to new heights.

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