



Pharmaceutical Sciences

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As Editor-in-Chief, it is my pleasure to announce the twenty-second year of *Pharmaceutical Sciences* publication. I am taking this opportunity to mention few names of colleagues who devoted themselves to the foundation and advancement of *Pharmaceutical Sciences*. Indeed, history of the journal back to late eighties when Faculty of Pharmacy of Tabriz University in Iran decided to publish a biannually academic journal entitled "Pharmaceutical Sciences, the Journal of Pharmacy Faculty of Tabriz". The first issue appeared in 1994 under editorship of Professor Jalil Afshar. At that time the articles were published in Farsi (abstract in English) and mostly featured topics in pharmaceutics, pharmacology, and pharmacognosy. Since 2012, the Faculty of Pharmacy continued publishing the quarterly journal under the title of "*Pharmaceutical Sciences*" exclusively in English. Now "*Pharmaceutical Sciences*" is a well recognized quarterly peer-reviewed journal covers a variety of topics on pharmaceutical sciences including pharmaceutics, pharmacology, toxicology, pharmacognosy, phytopharmacology, medicinal and pharmaceutical chemistry, pharmacogenetic, clinical and hospital pharmacy, nanotechnology and biotechnology in pharmacy, and ecopharmacy.

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analyzed by Cross-Check prior to reviewing. Authors usually receive a decision on their manuscripts within one month of receipt. The journal is abstracted and indexed in Scopus, Embase, CAS, J-Gate, DOAJ, NCBI and Google Scholar and is accessible on the World Wide Web. The following individuals have served as Editors-in-Chief: from 1994 to 2000 Professor Jalil Afshar; from 2000 to 2009 Professor Ali Nokhodchi; and from 2009 to 2013 Professor Abbas Delazar. In March 2013, the Editorial Board of the journal selected Professor Alireza Garjani as Editor-in-Chief and Dr Ali Shayanfar as Executive Editor. Since then the scope of the journal was broadened and many internationally respected Professors joined the Editorial Board. I am proud to say that in the recent years, *Pharmaceutical Sciences* gained well-deserved position among scientific journals and we are ready to submit our application to be indexed in PubMed and ISI. It is worth mentioning that Dr. Ali Shayanfar has had a significant contribution in the development and regular publication of the Journal.

In 2015, *Pharmaceutical Sciences* published four regular issues and one special issue in the honor of Professor Mohammad Barzegar-Jalali. With great regret, in the last year we were deeply saddened for loss of Professor Aliakbar Entezami, a member of Editorial Board. As we embark on our 23rd year, we will do our best to deliver the best of pharmaceutical sciences. Last but not least, we wish to express our great appreciation to all reviewers who made valuable contributions to the quality of the journal.

I look forward to welcoming you as a contributor to "*Pharmaceutical Sciences*".