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# Strengthening Education in Medicine Journal Through Collaboration with Malaysian Association of Education in Medicine and Health Science (MAEMHS)

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The Education in Medicine Journal (EIMJ) was first published in 2009 by the School of Medical Sciences, Universiti Sains Malaysia. The peer reviewed journal serves as an international platform to disseminate information related to medical and allied health education. The journal has been consistently improving its performance, namely in terms of frequency, visibility, number and quality of articles (1–4) – as summarised in Table 1.

In recognition of the journal's improved performance, since 2016 EIMJ is published by Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia, the official publisher of Universiti Sains Malaysia, creating a more stable publishing environment. Thus, ensuring that high quality research is disseminated to the widest possible audience through various

content delivery format initiatives including PDF and EPUB while remains fully open-accessed.

In yet another important and significant milestone, Universiti Sains Malaysia and Malaysian Association of Education in Medicine and Health Sciences (MAEMHS) will jointly publish EIMJ beginning 2018. Collaborative efforts between both organisations will pave the way for the journal's advancement in the region.

We hope these efforts will boost visibility and credibility of EIMJ as a reputable academic journal and able to attract the best quality of submission. The journal's editorial team members are doing their best to ensure the change process occurs smoothly with the least turbulence.

**Table 1:** Profiling of *EIMJ*<sup>a</sup>

ltem	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Number of submission	75	55	59	55	45
Number of acceptance	54	41	44	37	30
Acceptance rate (%)	72	75	75	67	67
Days to complete review	53	75	55	44	33
Publication lag time*	221	151	139	93	141
H5-index (Google Scholar)	na	4	6	8	8
H5-median (Google Scholar)	na	6	8	9	11
Local submission (%)	33	na	na	44	50
International submission (%)	77	na	na	56	50

Notes:

na: not available

\*Number of days from submit to published

On behalf of the team, we look forward for this new journey and strongly believe the journal is soaring with Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia and MAEMHS as the key enablers towards becoming a premier journal in medical and health profession fields. It is noteworthy to mention that this journal is nowhere without the strong and relentless support from all stakeholders especially authors, reviewers, and readers. Last but not least, let us together taking part in this new journey! Your submissions are our priority.

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