EJO in 2013: providing of a new vision of our ongoing mission
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Egyptian Journal of Otolaryngology (EJO), the voice of all Egyptian ENT surgeons, audiologists, and phoniatricians, sends you all New Year greetings

Since the new editorial board of EJO was formed in late 2011, a tremendous effort has been made to complete what the seniors at EJO started 29 years ago; 2013 was a very fruitful year for our journal.

The editorial manager system for online submitting and tracking of articles was set up, thanks to the great effort of our international publisher (Wolters & Kluwer); we now receive articles electronically online, review them, and then edit them in a transparent and well-organized manner. Currently, all the coeditors of EJO are well trained in this new system, which has facilitated and contributed largely to our editorial and reviewing processes.

Our list of reviewers has now extended to more than 150 reviewers from all over Egypt, the Arab region, and from all over the world. Many of them are junior doctors with strong academic positions and a solid curriculum vitae as reviewers in reputable international journals. We are really grateful to all of them.

Our facebook page now has more the 520 likes in less than 5 months. We were the first international ENT journal to use facebook as a tool to market the contents of our journal and communicate with our readers. Thanks to this facebook page, we now receive articles from all over the world (Japan, France, KSA, India, Tunisia, etc.).

We have established new sections in our journal, which will appear in the forthcoming issues, for example, audiology and phoniatrics for ENT, resident pages, and internet resources; this is in addition to the existing sections, for example, book review, how I do it?, and, of course, the original research articles, which exceed 75 articles per year from all over the Egyptian region.

As an obligation toward the scientific community in Egypt, EJO organized its second course on how to write a scientific paper, with an outstanding success. The course was attended by 40 doctors during activities of the Egyptian ORL society last June and received superb feedback from all attendees.

We now release issues four times a year, for the first time in 30 years, and are the first Egyptian ORL journal to publish quarterly. We will apply for Scopus and PubMed in 2014 and for Thompson in 2015 in order to be a real international periodical, and we hope that we will publish as an open access journal starting next year to increase our citation and ranking.

On behalf of Prof. Ahmed Sameh Farid (Chief Editor and president of the Egyptian ORL Society) and the 21 coeditors, I wish you all the best in 2014.

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Executive Editor, EJO