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I am pleased to mention that during the year 2019, all issues of volume 8 were published online well within the time and the print issues were also brought out and dispatched within 30 days of publishing the issue online.

Clinical Microbiology: Open Access during this year also brought out the Joint Event on 17th International Conference on Pharmaceutical Microbiology and Biotechnology & 23rd Edition of International Conference on Immunology and Infectious Diseases, along with another Joint Event on 25th Asia Pacific Biotechnology Congress & 3rd International Conference on Medical and Clinical Microbiology which consisted of ~ 51 abstracts.

The Journal Citations Report showed that the articles published in Clinical Microbiology: Open Access have been cited 300 times by eminent researchers all around the world. With an impact factor of 0.7 CMO has its article indexed and archived in CAS Source Index (CASSI), Index Copernicus, Google Scholar, Sherpa Romeo, Open J Gate, RefSeek, Hamdard University, EBSCO A-Z, OCLC- WorldCat, Publons, and Geneva Foundation for Medical Education and Research.

During the calendar year 2019, CMO received a total of 40 papers, out of which 30 articles (75%) were rejected in the preliminary screening due to plagiarism or being out of the format and peer review process. During 2019 around 10 articles were subjected for publication after they are accepted in the peer review process. In the 6 issues of Volume 8 published during the year 2019, a total of 10 articles were published (at an average of 1.2 articles per issue) of which, articles were published from authors belonging mostly to the high income countries. A total of 80 research scientists from all over the world reviewed the 10 articles published in volume 8. Average publication lag time of an article was further reduced to 2-3 weeks.

During the calendar year 2019, a total of 12 Editors, 80 Reviewers joined the board of CMO and contributed their invaluable services towards contribution as well as publication of articles.

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