Editorial Note

## Editorial Note for Journal of Membrane Science & Technology

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I am pleased to mention that during the year 2019, all issues of volume 9 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.

Journal of Membrane Science & Technology during this year also brought out 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Membrane Science and Technology, which consisted of ~21 abstracts.

The JCR Impact factor of JMST for the year 2018 was 1.81, while the current SJR index dropped to 0.256. The H-index of the journal, however, increased to 50 and JMST ranked first among all journals in the field of Membrane Sciences published in India, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Asia and 48<sup>th</sup> in the world.

During the calendar year 2019, JMST received a total of 62 papers, out of which 36 articles (58%) were rejected in the preliminary screening due to plagiarism or being out of the format and peer review process. During 2019 around 12 articles were subjected for publication after they are accepted in the peer review process. In the 3 issues of Volume 9 published during the year 2019, a total of 12 articles were published (at an average of 6 articles per issue) of which, articles were published from authors all around the world. A total of 110 research scientists from all over the world reviewed the 12 articles published in volume 9. Average publication lag time of an article was further reduced to 2-3 weeks.

During the calendar year 2019, a total of 32 Editors, 15 Reviewers joined the board of JMST and contributed their invaluable services towards contribution as well as publication of articles.

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