

## NEWSLETTER (July 2020)

### New Editorial Manager



Agneta Andersson

As from August 1<sup>st</sup>, I am gradually reducing my role as the Editorial Manager of JRM and we have managed to find a successor who will take over more and more of my duties during this autumn. I sincerely welcome Therese Granlund and I am sure she will enjoy working with JRM as much as I have. I would like to thank all the editors, authors, reviewers and all other persons involved with JRM for all the good meetings (in real life as well as via e-mail and virtual meetings) during all these years. It has been a pleasure to be a part of JRM but now it is time for me to spend some more time with my hobbies and I am very confident that Therese will take on the task with enthusiasm and contribute to the journal in the best possible way. With the valuable support from Åsa Lundell and the rest of the staff at the editorial office I am sure she will succeed.



Therese Granlund

My name is Therese Granlund and I have been fortunate enough to work in academic publishing for over 15 years, seeing the industry transform and develop enormously during this time. Over the years I have worked primarily in editorial roles, but also with marketing, for two major academic publishers. My focus has always been on medical journals, covering a wide variety of topics, although my own academic background is in business and economics as well as sustainability. The majority of the journals that I have been responsible for are society owned, and during the last 5 years or so more and more focus has been put on Open Access publication. It is a great privilege to now join the team as Editorial Manager for JRM. I believe that we are strongly positioned at a time when more and more academic societies are expressing an interest in taking back control of their own publications, keeping academic publishing within the research community. I look forward to continuing the JRM tradition of wide and open dissemination of research, and the best possible service to researchers. Given how quickly academic publishing is currently developing I think that a focus on continuous improvement is important, and I look forward to supporting and guiding JRM into the future.

# Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine

Articles published in July 2020

*Editors' Choices of the month:*

[Why Rehabilitation must have priority during and after the COVID-19-pandemic: A position statement of the Global Rehabilitation Alliance](#)

*Christoph Gutenbrunner, Emma K. Stokes, Karsten Dreinhöfer, Jan Monsbakken, Stephanie Clarke, Pierre Côté, Isabelle Urseau, David Constantine, Claude Tardif, Venkatesh Balakrishna, Boya Nugraha*



Christoph Gutenbrunner

*Comments by the authors:* We wrote this paper because it became obvious that the COVID-19 pandemic led to major shifts in priority setting in health systems. Data showed that people with rehabilitation needs had restrictions or even no access to quality rehabilitation any more. Furthermore we wanted to stress that rehabilitation plays an important role in managing COVID-19, both in the acute and long-term phase. This includes supporting respiratory functions in the acute phase and multimodal approaches to control long-term dysfunction and mental problems. We hope the paper will raise awareness and stimulate developing solutions. [Read more](#)

*Further highlights of this month in JRM:*

Self-rated health determinants in post-stroke individuals. [Read more](#)

*Érika de Freitas Araújo, Ramon Távora Viana, Camila Ferreira da Cruz, Sherindan Ayessa Ferreira de Brito, Maria Teresa Ferreira Reis, Christina Danielli Coelho Faria*

Creating a common metric based on existing activities of daily living tools to enable standardized reporting of functioning outcomes achieved during rehabilitation. [Read more](#)

*Roxanne Maritz, Alan Tennant, Carolina Fellinghauer, Gerold Stucki, Birgit Prodingner*

Health-related quality of life and cardiac rehabilitation: Does body mass index matter? [Read more](#)

*Iris den Uijl, Nienke ter Hoeve, Madoka Sunamura, Henk J. Stam, Mattie J. Lenzen, Victor J. van den Berg, Eric Boersma, Rita J.G. van den Berg-Emons*

Why Rehabilitation must have priority during and after the COVID-19-pandemic: A position statement of the Global Rehabilitation Alliance. [Read more](#)

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## Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine – Clinical Communications

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[Speech-language pathologists' role in the multi-disciplinary management and rehabilitation of patients with COVID-19](#)

*Bijoyaa Mohapatra, Ranjini Mohan*



Bijoyaa Mohapatra

*Comments by the authors:* This paper outlines the critical role and importance of speech-language pathologists in the rehabilitation of people with COVID-19. Currently, not much is known about their role beyond the intensive and acute care medical settings where they are primarily engaged in dysphagia screening and assessment. Here, we have attempted to provide some information and guidelines regarding speech-language pathologists' future roles and challenges in the long-term management of patients with COVID-19 within the rehabilitation units. We acknowledge that some of the clinical suggestions offered in this paper might change as scientists understand more about the symptoms of the disease, its course, and its impact on overall health, functioning, and recovery..

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Total number of article views of published articles in JRM and JRM-CC

During 2019: **1 549 621** times

During 2020 (Jan–July): **940 688** times

Downloads of the month (3 most downloaded papers published during the last two months):

<i>Title and authors</i>	<i>Downloads</i>
<b>1. <a href="#">Efficacy of radial extracorporeal shock wave therapy compared with botulinum toxin type A injection in treatment of lower extremity spasticity in subjects with cerebral palsy: A randomized controlled, cross-over study</a></b> Xavier Vidal, Joan Martí-Fàbregas, Olga Canet, Marta Roqué, Antoni Morral, Miriam Tur, Christoph Schmitz, Mercè Sitjà-Rabert	<b>312</b>
<b>2. <a href="#">Why Rehabilitation must have priority during and after the COVID-19-pandemic: A position statement of the Global Rehabilitation Alliance</a></b> Christoph Gutenbrunner, Emma K. Stokes, Karsten Dreinhöfer, Jan Monsbakken, Stephanie Clarke, Pierre Côté, Isabelle Urseau, David Constantine, Claude Tardif, Venkatesh Balakrishna, Boya Nugraha	<b>283</b>
<b>3. <a href="#">COVID-19 rehabilitation units are twice as expensive as regular rehabilitation units</a></b> Sandro Iannaccone, Federica Alemanno, Elise Houdayer, Luigia Brugliera, Paola Castellazzi, Domenico Cianflone, Carlo Meloni, Alberto Ambrosio, Pietro Mortini, Alfio Spina, Massimo Filippi	<b>223</b>

Top cited article per publication year, 2018-2020:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Title and authors</i>	<i>Citations</i>
2018	<a href="#">Rehabilitation: The health strategy of the 21st century</a> Gerold Stucki, Jerome Bickenbach, Christoph Gutenbrunner, John Melvin	32
2019	<a href="#">Factors associated with persistent post-concussion symptoms following mild traumatic brain injury in adults</a> Jennifer Ponsford, Sylvia Nguyen, Marina Downing, Marije Bosch, Joanne N. McKenzie, Simon Turner, Marisa Chau, Duncan Mortimer, Russell L. Gruen, Jonathan Knott, Sally Green	15
2020	<a href="#">Rehabilitation of Covid-19 patients</a> Luigia Brugliera, Alfio Spina, Paola Castellazzi, Paolo Cimino, Andrea Tettamanti, Elise Houdayer, Pietro Arcuri, Federica Alemanno, Pietro Mortini, Sandro Iannaccone	14

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