

## Editorial

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### Editor's note

Journal of Sains Medika (JSM), is the journal founded and issued by Faculty of Medicine Sultan Agung Islamic University (Unissula) in Indonesian version. The formation of JSM is as a form of responsibility of Faculty of Medicine Sultan Agung Islamic University as a media to provide publications in order to elevate sciences and technological development. Research articles or other scientific manuscripts were produced by researcher or group of academicians have no benefit if not published. Journal of Sains Medika as a young journal, feels that it is not easy to attract researcher or group academicians to submit their good and worthy manuscripts to JSM. It is plausible, considering majority of reseachers tend to submit their manuscripts to the accredited national journals or journals with international reputations. Therefore, in order to maintain JSM's excellent quality, continuity to develop, and consistenly issued, all staff must have a determination and commitment for struggle. Indeed, we encounter a great challanges and obstacles to undertake JSM smoothly. However, until today these challenges and obstacles are taken over by all staff of JSM. Due to the great struggle of all staff, JSM have been existing for 8 years.

In accordance with the demand from the ministry of Indonesian Research, Tecnology and Higher Education (IRTHE), through its circular letter no 152/E/T/2012, that one of the requirements for student graduation is publication for Bachelor program (S1), Master program (S2), and Doctorate program (S3). In principal, the essence of that circular letter are as follow: 1. To the Bachelor program graduation requirement, student should have a manuscript being published in scientific journal. 2. To Master program graduation requirement, student should have a manuscript being published in scientific journal particularly in

accredited national journal. 3. To Doctorate graduation requirement, student should have a manuscript that have been accepted by International journal. Furthermore, ministry of IRTHE via the circular letter no. 444/B/SE/2016 have emphesized that: a. Students from Master Program may publish their manuscript in accredited national journal or may have been accepted by International journal. b. Students from Doctorate Program may publish their manuscript in journal with International reputation.

Based on the aforementioned regulation, therefore, all staff of JSM are seriously struggling, striving, and exerting their energy and concentration to increase/elevate the journal status to be internationally acknowledged by reseachers and academician worldwide. Due to that reason, since 2015 Journal of Sains Medika is issued online and using English version instead of Indonesian version anymore. In addition, several members of editorial board also recruited from several countries such as Netherland and Bangladesh. We wish that following Journal of Sains Medika online issue and in accordance with the Open Journal Sistem (OJS), researchers and academicians worldwide can take Journal of Sains Medika into their accounts and available to publish their manuscripts in this journal. Furthermore, after learning the various existing criteria for journal indexing, We gather enough courage to try to be indexed in many institues for journal indexation, particularly Copernicus and DOAJ. Alhamdulillah!, thank God, all staf in JSM are very happy because Journal of Sains Medika is indexed by Copernicus International since 2016 and accepted by DOAJ (green thick) at 31 July 2017 respectively. However our effort are still on going, even we are more serious to strive for obtaining an indexing from Ministry of Higher Education, Tecnology, and Education and finally SCOPUS as the ultimate dream of all Journal of Sains Medika stakeholders.