

Internationalization strategy of *Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation*

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International journals are the journals that can be read and contributed by researchers all over the world, and can be defined as internationally cited articles that comply with international standards as academic journals.

Knowledge competition is an important factor influencing the national power of a country and the development of the country. And the first place where knowledge competition will take place is a journal. Internationalization of academic journals is an essential element in improving national competitiveness beyond the goals and achievements of an academic society. In addition to fostering scholars who can publish excellent articles in international journals, fostering academic journals that can lead academic disciplines in those fields is also very important for improving national knowledge competitiveness.

There are three important institutions to be listed in order to become an international journal. The first is to be listed on PubMed in the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI) of the United States. NCBI contains a variety of biotechnology information, including PubMed, a database of life sciences and medical journal indexes, and GenBank, a genomic sequence database, all of which can be viewed online through search. Next, Scopus is the world's best academic journal citation index made by Elsevier in the Netherlands in 2004. The last is to be listed in the Science Citation Index (SCI), the Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE), or the Social Science Citation Index (SSCI), an international academic paper database established by Clarivate Analytics in the United States.

Journal of Exercise Rehabilitation (JER), the Journal of the Society of Exercise Rehabilitation in Korea, was changed to English jour-

nal in April 2013 (Volume 9, Issue 2) and was listed in PubMed and PubMed Central in November 2013. In November 2017, JER was listed on Scopus from its 2017 publications, and also accepted in the Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) at April 2018. JER is now awaiting to be listed in SSCI.

In order to maintain the qualification of JER as an international journal, it must strive to keep the following:

- (a) On-time publication of JER should be strictly observed.
- (b) Efforts to increase citation index of the JER should be continued.
- (c) The research ethics and publishing ethics of all articles should be maintained.
- (d) The English of the articles in the JER should be written in standard English which is easy to understand.
- (e) Responsibility for delivering up-to-date knowledge of exercise rehabilitation areas should be fulfilled.

The efforts of Editorial Board of the JER will make JER to be a leading journal in the field of exercise rehabilitation.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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