From my laptop

It has been more than a year since I last penned “From my laptop”. The Covid-19 pandemic is still very much present even amid the availability of vaccination. Malaysia is currently bracing the third wave, and so we find ourselves yet in another lockdown in what is becoming a never-ending series of lockdowns. Despite this dire situation worldwide, Malaysian Journal of Ophthalmology (MyJO) is thriving. In our third year running and publishing our third volume, we are going stronger.

I would like to take the opportunity to give a very warm welcome to our new editorial board! This fresh editorial board is a mixture of young and promising and more experienced members. Hopefully, the enthusiasm of the young members and the wisdom of the experienced members will spur MyJO’s growth. We look forward to working together this year.

Change is the only constant in life; change is always for the better. We introduced two new sections: Artificial Intelligence and Innovation in Ophthalmology and Eye-quiz. In the era of the fourth industry revolution 4.0, the booming of connectivity, focusing on artificial intelligence and innovation in ophthalmology is almost mandatory. Eye-quiz is a didactic section comprising a short photo quiz, which aims to provide a clinical puzzle for ophthalmologists, optometrists, researchers, and trainees.

A technical review has now been introduced as part of MyJO’s submission process, which involves checking that manuscripts adhere to MyJO’s author guidelines and have all necessary components. Only manuscripts considered complete and in compliance with guidelines will be sent to review. Submissions with at least one Malaysian author are required to provide the article abstract in Bahasa Malaysia in addition to the English version. We kindly suggest you read more about the submission process and the new author guidelines before submitting your manuscript, as this will help processing your manuscript swiftly.

To honor our reviewers, who have a key role in increasing the scientific value of the articles, we have selected the 14 best reviewers for 2019 and 2020. The selection was based on the number of articles and the time taken to complete each review. A heartfelt thank you to all our reviewers. Coming up in the next issue is the best article for original article and case report, so stay tuned!

‘Til we meet again, do take care, and stay safe.

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