

Announcement: Journal of Epidemiology - changes to article processing charges

In order to further internationalize our journal, Japan Epidemiological Association (JEA) has decided to move publication of Journal of Epidemiology from J-STAGE to Elsevier in January 2017. Due to this change, article processing charges (APC) will be renewed accordingly. The decision was made at the January 2016 board of directors meeting, and a contract with Elsevier was signed on March 14, 2016. Work is in progress to launch a new online submission system (EVISE) by Elsevier, and to enable preliminary online publication (Articles in Press) of articles which have been accepted for publication in 2017.

Our decision to change APC reflects the fact that the current fees are exceptionally cheaper than relevant international journals, and will facilitate our plans for a more sustainable editorial process and society management. We hope that our members will appreciate our decision. We would like to point out that the new fees are still relatively inexpensive than those of other comparable international journals. Furthermore, although our Journal will be published by Elsevier, it will remain to be an open access journal.

The new APC will be applicable to articles submitted from June 1, 2016. The new fees will be as follows.

- Members 70,000 JPY per article; Non-members 120,000 JPY per article.
- Members and non-members alike will be charged 10,000 JPY per page when the article exceeds 8 pages.
- Publication of Letters will cost 10,000 JPY per Letter notwithstanding membership.
- There are no charges for responses to Letters.

- Submissions from Japan require that both first author and corresponding author are members of JEA for the membership price to be applicable.
- Submissions from other countries will be charged the membership price if the first author is a member of the JEA.
- Submissions from Japan and other countries require that both first author and corresponding author must be members of JEA to be charged the membership price.
- The membership price is applicable only when the author is a member before or at time of submission.

We hope that these changes will enable better service for our members and readers of Journal of Epidemiology.

Thank you for your understanding.

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