Online-Only Publications

Readers will notice that *The Laryngoscope* is now publishing online-only articles. This is part of our overall strategy of evolving to meet the expectations of our readers using available technology. Working with our state-of-the-art publishing partner, Wiley Publications, we have been steadily enhancing our online and electronic access, most notably through the Web site (www.laryngoscope.com). We currently average about 50,000 downloaded articles per month (and more than 120,000 abstract views per month) while our print subscription is around 5,000. Although we are primarily a print journal, many more readers are accessing our content online compared with those who receive the printed journal in the mail. In fact, we have already become an online journal—even though to date our online content has mirrored the print content. We are now taking this a step further by publishing online-only content.

In our November 2013 issue, we began selecting articles for online-only publication, which allows a more rapid publication date. These articles are listed in the Table of Contents and are referenced with that volume/issue. Many readers—particularly scientists searching for the latest research advances—conduct their literature searches through search engines and the internet rather than through journal subscriptions. By publishing some content online only, this allows new studies to be made available in the literature faster, and it allows others to find and reference these studies in their own work.

I invite you to visit the journal’s Web site and peruse some of the online-only content as well as the wealth of archival material presented there. There are also interesting links to “most read” and “most cited” articles from the journal as well as a compendium of all the Triological Society Best Practice articles.

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