

Letter from the Editor

As the Journal moves forward, we are embracing ways to better support the mission of the ISRP, especially the mission to educate and inform all individuals involved in respiratory protection, not just those in positions of leadership or conducting research. Our journal and society content reaches far beyond our membership and we have decided to take the journal fully Open Access so that any interested reader will have full access to each manuscript that we publish. This change will begin with the next issue! I believe that this will result in greater reach and readership of our valuable content and regrow our presence in the scientific literature. Another change that is coming soon is a switch to a manuscript submission system (Scholastica). This will help track manuscripts throughout the process and facilitate timely peer review evaluations.



Starting with the second Issue of 2024, and all new submission must be routed through the submission system (Scholastica) and all new publications will be online, Open Access. A link to the submission system will be provided on the ISRP Journal webpage when it is ready. Open Access fees have been adjusted for inflation to \$1500 for non-ISRP members, \$1000 for ISRP members, and \$500 for student-first-authors. Open Access fees cover the cost of publishing and making published materials available to non-society members. If you need assistance paying the open access fees, please communicate with the Editor when you submit your manuscript, I may have some options to assist you.

Please consider publishing your next scholarly manuscript with JISRP. We accept brief reports, literature reviews, original work, case studies and even commentaries. Follow the [instructions for authors](#) found on the Journal webpage and look for the button to begin your manuscript submission! Please continue to send emails for the editor via JISRPeditor@isrp.com. I look forward to receiving your submission in the near future, and am always open to ideas for a special emphasis issue.

Sincerely,

Evan Floyd, PhD, CIH

Letter from the ISRP President

I am very happy to let you know that the preparation for the [ISRP 2024 Oxford Conference](#) is progressing well. We are looking forward to the first in-person chance to share the latest in respiratory protection research, standardization, innovations since the ISRP Denver conference in 2018.

Please consider your participation; the Society is looking forward to re-connecting and meeting with you!

The ISRP board of directors met virtually in February 2024 to discuss the change of the Journal of the ISRP to open access. We are very proud to announce that the current issue in your hands and/or on your screen is the last traditional journal issue and all future issues will be modernized to fully open access, with a publication fee. The new instructions for authors are included at the end of this issue.



Please note that it is the intention to have the biannual General Membership Meeting in conjunction with the technical conference in Oxford, United Kingdom – another reason for you to participate.

Furthermore, the FACE UP project progressed and is reaching next project steps speedily. ISRP secretary-treasurer Jessica Tredinnick participated in a FACE UP project meeting updating on our contributions, and the first on-line workshop took place successfully on 26 June. During the [ISRP Oxford Conference](#) from 22nd until 26th September 2024, Thursday the 26th September is dedicated to FACE UP with presentations on respiratory protection for the public probably in the morning session, followed by a workshop in the afternoon.

We are happy to announce the renewal of the Memorandum of understanding with IOHA.

The society continues to concentrate on its main purpose: to bring together respiratory protection specialists worldwide, and to provide a platform for scientific exchange.

I would like to express a big thank you for all your efforts in respiratory protection in workplaces and beyond.

Yours sincerely,

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