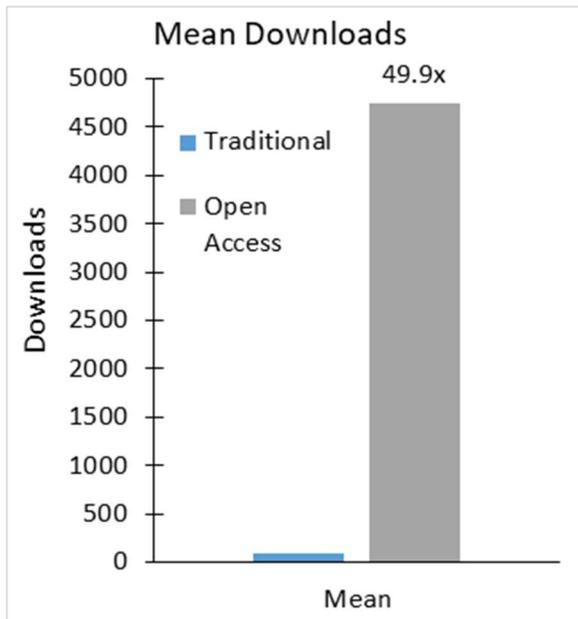# Letter from the Editor

Dear ISRP Members,

As the Journal moves forward, we are exploring ways to further 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 are looking for ways to expand this even further. In this issue we feature an application-oriented article about creating and utilizing a skin analog headform for laboratory fit testing. This will be helpful for researchers, regulators and developers looking for better, more realistic ways to assess the efficacy of products and new designs. This issue also features a commentary on assigned protection factors (APF) that explains the fundamental concept and the similarities / dis-similarities across several nations. I hope this commentary will stimulate thought and further discussion. If you have APF-related information that isn't covered, or want to provide greater detail on an area that was covered, please consider writing a response to the commentary and submitting to me for inclusion in our next issue.

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I look forward to receiving your submission in the near future, and am always open to ideas for a special emphasis issue.

Sincerely,

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