Editorial

Entering its fourth year of publication, the Medical Journal of the University of Indonesia was evaluated by an Evaluation Team of the University Research for Graduate Education (URGE) Project of the Directorate General for Higher Education of the Department of Education and Culture of the Republic of Indonesia. The evaluation on a number of scientific journals in Indonesia appointed five winners to receive a Scientific Publication Grant from the URGE Project Batch I. The five journals are: (1) Medical Journal of the University of Indonesia (UI); (2) Berkala Kedokteran Masyarakat (UGM); (3) Journal of Tropical Agriculture (IPB); (4) Zuriat (Peripi-UNPAD); and (5) Agrivita (UNIBRAW). The URGE Project plans to select gradually 30 leading scientific journals which cover 30 fields of sciences. Thus, MJUI was considered as the leading journal in the field of medicine in Indonesia.

We certainly need to thank God the Almighty for this appreciation and recognition and at the same time develop a stronger firm-willed to continue and improve the quality as well as the scope of the journal. In connection with this, some strategic steps will be implemented starting with this issue, such as:

a. To change the name of the journal to become "Medical Journal of Indonesia" followed by: "Formerly: Medical Journal of the University of Indonesia", abbreviated as Med J Indonesia. With this, this issue becomes Volume 4, Number 1, January-March 1995 edition. The ISSN will be adjusted with a new one.

b. The mission of the journal remains the same namely "To provide the medical community and its related disciplines with continuing education in basic medical science and clinical research, to remain well informed in all aspects of medical science and technology developments in Indonesia."

c. The Publisher, Editorial Board, and the other executing staffs are from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Indonesia. However, the reviewers are experts from throughout Indonesia, and if necessary, will be requested from abroad. In conformity with international standards, all papers will be reviewed anonymously. Names of the editorial advisory board members will be omitted, but at the end of each volume names of the reviewers will be acknowledged.

d. In order that the journal can be consumed by the international medical community, only English written papers can be accepted for publication. Abstracts are written in English and Bahasa Indonesia.

e. For the time being the frequency of the publication will remain 4 times a year with a circulation of 5,000 copies per issue. The journal is aimed not only for medical practitioners in Indonesia, but also distributed in foreign countries through libraries of medical schools throughout the world.

f. Steps are taken to include this journal in the Index Medicus and Medline on-line Data Base.

Based on those mentioned above, the Editorial Board invites all medical practitioners in Indonesia, in particular academic staffs and students of postgraduate programs at medical schools, government as well as private, to submit manuscripts covering the result of their research they have done to this journal. Isn’t it true that a research is not considered finish if the result has not been published? The publication of a result of a medical research through the Medical Journal of Indonesia is a dissemination to the international world. To speed up the process of publication and to make it easy for all parties, it is requested that all manuscripts submitted are in accordance with the Instructions to the Authors as can be seen in each issue of this journal.

Editor-in-Chief