

EDITORIAL

The advance of technology has indisputably provided human beings with enormous easiness and alternatives to disperse and to obtain information. Thank to those who have bright ideas and innovativeness in information technology, now we can contact each other in any place in the world without moving anywhere and in real time. Communication can be delivered almost instantly, without any delay, and huge amount of information can be accessed easily by anybody almost indiscriminately. We may therefore say that there is now a democratization of information. This blessing of our own modern civilization has endowed us with opportunities in creating formats by which we can deliver information, including materials for education. In medical education, the use of multimedia has been proved to be extremely helpful. Students, for example, can learn subjects in medical sciences interactively, so that more active involvement in this way can enhance their comprehension in what they learn in easier and more practical method. Medical information, including the results of medical researches, can now be published online. Easy access to this information, both in full or limited formats, has brought about acceleration in obtaining fresh findings in medical sciences and technology. To contribute to this current trend in medical research publishing, *Folia Medica Indonesiana* has been published online at [http:// www.fk.unair.ac.id/publikasi/fofia](http://www.fk.unair.ac.id/publikasi/fofia). In this site, as a part of the site of Airlangga University School of Medicine, readers can access this medical journal in hypertext. Besides it is available in hard copy, availability in the website may make the readers easier, for example, to access it from anywhere. Although currently we only provide abstracts for recent editions, it is not impossible that in the future we will display both current and previous editions in full-text. Enlisting this journal into prominent international medical database has also been included in our plan. We hope that these efforts may introduce the scientific works of the authors, who publish their researches in this journal, to international forum.

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