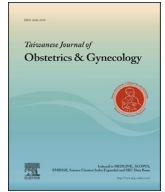




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Editorial

Authors' responsibility is critical for journal



The editors agreed to publish the manuscript entitled “Human papillomavirus 16 E6 modulates the expression of host microRNAs in cervical cancer” from Dr. Jianhua Zheng et al [Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, The First Affiliated Hospital, Harbin Medical University, Harbin, People's Republic of China (doctorzheng52@yahoo.com.cn)] in the October 2015 issue of the *Taiwanese Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology (TJOG)* [1]. The final publication for this article met with difficulties. The authors failed to finish the standard procedure (galley proof) to publish their manuscript. The authors did not respond to the final call from the editorial office and the Journal Manager-Global Journals Production (Elsevier, Chennai, India), which asked for authors to make the final confirmation of their work, which is scheduled to be published in the October 2015 issue. This galley proof process is critical and important not only to reconfirm the accuracy of the published materials authors provided but also respond to the unclear and/or equivocal description, which was raised by the editorial office. All are needed to maintain the high-quality and good-reputation of the journal. As reported in the April 2015 issue of the *TJOG* [2], we are grateful to the readers' comments and interests for the journal—the *TJOG*. The readers' comments might further highlight the important information from the previously published article in the journal or share their experience for the same topics. For example, in a publication in the April 2015 issue of the *TJOG* [3], Dr. Teng et al made an echo for the previous publication of the *TJOG* [4] to emphasize a very important but often neglected issue—late preterm births. The outcome of late preterm births is not totally free from risk; however, the risk is often overlooked. Furthermore, the readers might question the results and conclusion for the previous publication in the journal and might indicate the possibility of mistakes or errors in the article. For example, Dr. Tsai questioned the publication in the 2014 issue of the *TJOG* [5], and found apparent errors in the journal [2,6]. Therefore, the readers' interests and comments can help to confirm the accurate information from the journal, and also improve the value of published materials.

However, in the publication of the Dr. Zheng's works, the authors seemed not to take responsibility for their submitted materials. The authors should have taken a responsibility to provide good quality content in their manuscript and should confirm the accuracy of data presented by their manuscript. Finally, the authors should finish the “Galley Proof” process before publication. Unfortunately, Dr. Jianhua Zheng's group did not fulfill this minimal requirement; therefore, the editorial office will not consider their

submission in the near future, although we decided to publish this article. As editors, we have a responsibility to provide accurate, scientific, and reliable data to our audience. As described in 2014, we celebrated our journal – the *TJOG* [7], we have a clear goal to improve the authors' convenience in the submission, and we are making every effort to make further improvements for authors and readers, and ultimately for women.

Finally, we apologize to the audience for this unqualified publication. We appreciate your patience and care and need your full support for the *TJOG*.

Conflicts of interest

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