

Reflections on One Year of RRNMF — Note from the Publishing Facilitator

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Congratulations to *RRNMF Neuromuscular Journal* on a very successful first year! Dr. Barohn has assembled a dedicated team of “facilitators”: editors, managing editors, and reviewers, resulting in the publication of six issues in 12 months. It is extremely rare for a new journal to publish more than a single issue during its first year of operation, so this is quite an accomplishment. Dr. Barohn’s dedication to and enthusiasm for this journal is infectious and he brings us all along with him on his quest to publish neuromuscular research that can be seen by a worldwide audience.

The publication of this journal is made possible by Dr. Barohn’s partnership with the KU Libraries’ Digital Publishing Services unit. Library publishing programs are uniquely qualified to support the publication of journals edited by their institution’s faculty¹. Libraries bring to

the table a commitment to enhancing the impact of high-quality scholarly research through open access publishing and a dedication to technical standards that ensure that scholarly work can be easily discovered. Also, since Library publishers are not driven by the need to make a profit, they can provide a home for new kinds of scholarly research that may not be viable from a commercial perspective.

We are delighted to have played a part in bringing the *RRNMF Neuromuscular Journal* to its audience of thousands of readers from around the globe. We hope that it will continue to thrive long into the future.

Reference

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