

EDITORIAL

State of the Journal

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The indications are plentiful that the *Journal of Trauma & Dissociation* (*JTD*) is thriving. Our submission rate continues to grow, and the quality of our articles continues to be high. I'm very excited to announce that Taylor & Francis and the International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation (ISSTD) have both approved an increase from four to five issues of 128 pages each per year, allowing us to publish more excellent articles. This increase will be effective beginning with Volume 12, which will be published in 2011. During the fall of 2010 (while this current issue is in production) we expect our submission process to be moving to ScholarOne, a Web-based submission portal supported by Taylor & Francis.

JTD's visibility continues to expand. In recent years we were selected for indexing by a number of major databases, including MedLine. We received word on January 25, 2010, that the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) selected *JTD* for listing in its index for a Journal Impact Factor (JIF). Starting with its 2008 articles, *JTD* is now indexed in ISI's influential Social Science Citation Index and "Web of Science." This means that our articles will be visible to scholars using the Social Science Citation Index and Web of Science. In June 2011, *JTD* will receive its first full JIF covering articles and citations in 2009 and 2010. The JIF is calculated by dividing the number of current-year citations to items published in that journal during the previous 2 years by the number of items. Now of course we will hope that our articles get cited in other Web of Science journals, as this will ultimately determine our JIF. As I explained in my editorial 1 year ago (Freyd, 2009), there are serious concerns about the misuse of bibliometric analyses such as the JIF, but there

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are also numerous benefits to being indexed by ISI's Web of Science and Social Science Citation Index.

Electronic downloads of *JTD* content increased every quarter in 2009 (the journal's first year on informaworld, Taylor & Francis's Web-based portal for published journal articles), with a total of 11,425 article downloads in 2009 from informaworld. The article "Evidence of Dissociative Amnesia in Science and Literature: Culture-Bound Approaches to Trauma in Pope, Poliakoff, Parker, Boynes, and Hudson" by Goldsmith, Cheit, and Wood (2009) was the most downloaded article in *JTD* last year, with 640 downloads off of informaworld. (It is likely that there were additional downloads of that article via access to EBSCO packages.) Institutional subscribers and all members of ISSTD have full access to all *JTD* articles in all volumes on informaworld. I am very pleased that our liaison at Taylor & Francis, Sean Beppler, is supporting global and free, open access to a subset of our articles, including the heavily downloaded Goldsmith et al. article. These open-access articles are excellent for increasing the visibility of *JTD* and for making our work available to scholars, students, and clinicians around the world.

In addition, some *JTD* articles have received media attention. Links to these news stories and other information (including new instructions for authors reflecting the Web-based submission portal) are available at <http://dynamic.uoregon.edu/~jjf/jtd/>.

JTD welcomes new Editorial Board members for Volume 12 (to be published in 2011): Christine Courtois, PhD, Kathleen Kendall-Tackett, PhD, Daphne Simeon, MD, and Sarah Ullman, PhD. And many thanks to Philip Coons, MD, for many years of excellent service as associate editor. Phil remains on our board as an associate editor emeritus. I am grateful to our board members for their hard work in making sure our journal is of a very high quality. I also want to thank Annmarie Cholankeril Hulette, MS, for her excellent work as *JTD* editorial assistant for the past few years. Ms. Hulette will be completing a clinical internship through Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford and the Children's Health Council during the 2010–2011 academic year and then will receive her doctorate in clinical psychology from the University of Oregon. We welcome Melissa Platt, MS, a doctoral student in clinical psychology at the University of Oregon to *JTD* as our incoming editorial assistant.

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