

Brief interview with Dr. James W. Patterson (Editor)

Journal of Clinical & Experimental Dermatology Research

1. How many years have you been practicing and/or performing research?

38 years

2. What is the research topic you are working on now?

Lupus miliaris disseminatus faciei; multiple T-cell lymphomas in individual patients; several projects regarding melanoma

3. What makes an article top quality?

New information, useful in diagnosis or understanding of a disease process; clearly written and explained so that professionals of varying backgrounds can understand the mechanisms and appreciate the significance of the findings

4. What are the qualities you look for in an article?

Succinct; carefully worded and consistent (contradictory information can ruin an otherwise good paper); with an initial statement of goals and a summary to show how the goals were accomplished; flow diagrams where needed

5. Do you have any research funding (NIH or other national funding) now?

No, but have been part of a number of NIH grants related to the immunology of melanoma

6. When did you become an editor of OMICS Journal?

Several years ago

7. What is your greatest career accomplishment?

Am editing the 4th Edition of Weedon's Skin Pathology

8. How does the research published percolate through to practitioners?

Through journals such as this one; through word-of-mouth from colleagues (both clinicians and pathologists)

9. What is the purpose of serving as an editor?

To shepherd new submissions through the review process; to provide consultations/advice related to current and future directions of a journal; to lend perspective on historical trends in the field

10. Do you have any patents?

No; for much of my career, and particularly for the past 18 years, I have practiced dermatopathology full time

11. Have you contributed any editorials or papers (any types) to OMICS Journals in the past two years?

A paper of ours is in the process of being submitted to an OMICS journal right now!

12. Do you plan to contribute any editorials or papers to OMICS Journals in the next year?

Yes. Se above comment; hopefully, additional papers or editorials will be submitted in the near future

13. Do you have any trouble with OMICS Journals in the past?

No trouble at all!

14. Would you recommend OMICS to your friends or colleagues?

Yes, and I have done so

15. How do you differentiate Journal of Clinical & Experimental Dermatology Research with other journals in the field?

This journal is particularly user-friendly; once accepted, publication is prompt; the editors and reviewers appreciate the value of clinical and translational research, and the Journal of Clinical & Experimental Dermatology Research is an excellent venue for the reporting of this type of work!