



Towards the Era of Transparency

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Dear Readers,

I'm very pleased to greet you from the first issue of the Journal of Biosafety.

For me, coming from former Soviet Union and grown up in the era of Cold War, it is especially important that all life scientists, and among them so – called former weapon scientists, can have access to open access publications. Recently, in December 2011 7th Review Conference of Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention (BTWC) in its final document declared the importance of implementation of the Article X of BTWC, which states, facilitation of fullest possible exchange of, among others, scientific and technological information for the use of bacteriological (biological) agents and toxins for peaceful purposes.

To my opinion, our Journal of Biosafety, together with other scientific issues, will be the very important tool in achieving these goals. We must live in the Era of Transparency, but taking into account all biosafety/biosecurity cautions.

I thank all the editors, future authors and reviewers, for their exceptional work on behalf of the Journal of Biosafety, in particular and biosafety, as a discipline, in common. Our joint endless efforts and continuing support can make the world safer.

I wish you all the best.

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