

**Proposal to Make
Anesthesia & Analgesia
the Destination Journal
of the Anesthesia Community**

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My Presentation Outline

- My **Professional Journey**
- My **Motivations** to become Editor-in-Chief
- Measurable **Outcome Goals** for the Journal
- Proposed **Structural and Process Changes** for the Journal
- **Action Plan** for first 2 years as Editor-in-Chief



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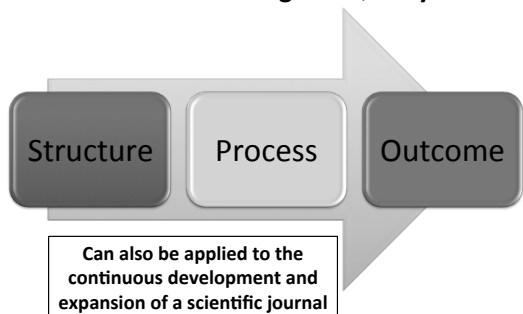
Why I Wanted this Job

- To raise the Visibility of the specialty of **Anesthesiology, Pain Medicine and Perioperative Medicine**
- To promote Education and Research via **Anesthesia & Analgesia**, the destination Journal of the anesthesia community

My Vision for *Anesthesia & Analgesia*

- **Develop** a Journal that is reader-centered and provides the best experience for authors throughout the review process.
- **Publish** the best possible articles in education and research.
- **Improve** mentoring of young anesthesiologists.
- **Promote** the role of anesthesiologists as perioperative physicians.
- **Reach** out to anesthesiologists and the general public in the Western World and developing countries.

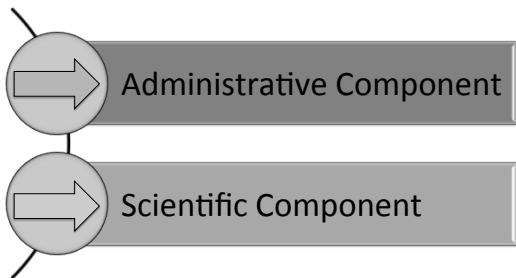
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Measurable Outcome Goals for *Anesthesia & Analgesia*

- 1) Increase in the **Impact Factor**
- 2) Increase in **citation index** and **citation download**
- 3) Increase in the number of **journal subscriptions**
- 4) Increase in the **approval rate** of the Journal measured by a mixed methods approach that integrates qualitative-quantitative data obtained from author and reader focus groups

Structure of Anesthesia & Analgesia



Stakeholders of the Scientific Component of Anesthesia & Analgesia



Proposal for Structural Changes in the Scientific Component of Anesthesia & Analgesia

- Increase the **number of subspecialty societies** affiliated with the Journal
- Add new Section Editors for **Cancer and Palliative Care, Trauma and Transfusion Medicine**
- Add a **Consulting Editor** and a full-time **Biostatistician** to the editorial board
- Expand the **pool of ad hoc manuscript reviewers** (25% will be at Instructor or Assistant Professor level)
- Increase the number of **international members of the Editorial Board** of *Anesthesia & Analgesia*, with a particular emphasis on minorities, gender repartition and colleagues from developing countries.

Proposal for Process Changes that Involve the Editor-in-Chief of Anesthesia & Analgesia

- Leading the Journal should be the **main activity** of the EIC (4 hours/day, 7 days a week) with a **travel schedule** focused on the needs of the Journal
- Increase Journal impact factor and manuscript submission
- Sponsor **two scientific symposia** at the IARS Annual Meeting
- Increase the number of **thematic issues** of the Journal (3 to 4 per year) that include two or more societies affiliated with the Journal, thus **breaking the classical silo of the "Journal within the Journal"**
- Use Journal symposia at the IARS Annual Meeting as the subject of these thematic issues of *Anesthesia & Analgesia*
- Strongly encourage the publication of manuscripts that contain mechanistic studies and corresponding phase I-II human translational data to **increase the clinical relevance of the basic science findings**

Proposal for Process Changes that Involve the Editor-in-Chief of Anesthesia & Analgesia

- Develop **new areas for the Journal**: health policy, health services, practice management, personalized medicine and dissemination and implementation science
- Include studies of questions of great importance for the **population health of developing countries**
- Creation of **Open Access articles**, highlighted by the EIC
- Expansion of **Facebook and Twitter** accounts of Journal and development of **infographics** that summarizes the results of a scientific article
- Develop and expand the formal relationship with the **Board of Directors** and the leadership of the **sub-specialty societies affiliated with the Journal**
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 - Co-sponsor a **yearly thematic issue** with the three Journals of these organizations
 - Sponsor a **panel or symposium** at the annual meeting of the four affiliated organizations

My Action Plan for the First 2 Years





Work closely with affiliated societies during transition period

Implement a strategic planning initiative for both components of the Journal

Modify the editorial board structure

Develop new areas for the Journal

Attract a broader set of authors and readers

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