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During 2023, *JMIR Dermatology* embraced articles treating all topics related to diseases of the skin, hair, and nails. This article is to bring attention and recognize reviewers, staff, and authors for their contribution to the journal. *JMIR Dermatology* published more than seventy-five exploring clinical information exchange, education, and facilitating the diagnosis and delivery of dermatologic care. These publications included original articles (29), reviews (9), research letters (31), viewpoints (3), short papers (1), case reports (2), editorials (2) and one in memoriam article (1) which have provided room for authors to showcase their research. Research letters were a popular article type, thus this type of article was standardized to support transferability in and out of *JMIR*. The memoriam article category was added to feature and celebrate highly accomplished and internationally recognized leaders in dermatology. Dr. William Weston[1] featured this year's in-memorial article to recognize his accomplishments as a clinician, educator, and for inspiring the careers of many academic dermatologists. The 3 publications with the highest Altmetric scores (12/4/2023) examined

the strengths of tele dermatology applications and areas for their improving care delivery. Drabarek [2] provided qualitative data capturing patient impressions of a participant-led skin self-examination (SSE) using smartphone app reminders, patient-performed dermoscopy, and tele dermatology assessments. Implementation barriers revolved around participants' perceptions of melanoma recurrence risk. Concerns included the short time interval between melanoma diagnosis, treatment, and the introduction of the SSE model, medical provider availability for urgencies, and the need for evidence on the efficacy of SSE relative to usual care. Follow-up studies could explore underserved communities where access to dermatologic care is a pre-existing limitation.

Exploring the use of phone applications in rural-underserved communities was exemplified by Yotsu et.al [3]] by evaluating how tele dermatology can diagnose skin-related neglected tropical diseases (NTD). Over 3 months in rural Côte d'Ivoire, the investigators trained local practitioners and implemented an app-based EMR and tele dermatology workflow. The study design assigned providers to an interventional group and a usual care group. It was found that the group who used the app-based EMR and tele dermatology identified 79 cases of different NTDs (Buruli ulcer, Leprosy, lymphatic filariasis, mycetoma, scabies, Yaws) relative to the 8 identified cases among practitioners not using the system. Difficulties with the system were reported to revolve around internet connectivity and initial challenges with using the system. Challenges with tele dermatology were not limited by internet connectivity but also by target diseases, as described by Long et.al. [4] Specifically, tele dermatology posed unique challenges for treating hidradenitis suppurativa (HS). These involved the sensitive location of lesions and the limited nature of a tele dermatology exam.

Overall, tele dermatology offers an opportunity to bring health equity to populations and JMIR dermatology embraced these topics.[5] With new technological advances, *JMIR Dermatology* looks forward to improving the understanding of tele dermatology applications in the coming years. Through the contributions of authors, the editorial team, and reviewers the US National Library of Medicine's (NLM's) Library Operations Division decided to include *JMIR Dermatology* in PubMed Central after a rigorous scientific and technical evaluation. The indexing will be in addition to appearing on Sherpa Romeo, Scopus, Directory of Open Access Journals, and Centre for Agriculture and Biosciences International (CABI). These platforms will help increase the visibility of the author's work and help advance clinical information exchange and education.

Beyond our three highlighted articles, our PubMed indexing has made 2023 a big year for the *JMIR Dermatology*. We are proud to be open access and to be the number one academic dermatology journal published in Canada per SJR. We sincerely thank International Society of Digital Health in Dermatology, formerly known as The International Tele dermatology Society, all of our editorial board members [6], staff, and reviewers (Table. I), without whom our success would not have been possible.

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