

Editorial Statement of Vajira Medical Journal: Journal of Urban Medicine

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Vajira Medical Journal: Journal of Urban Medicine

Vajira Medical Journal has been operating under the Faculty of Medicine Vajira Hospital of Navamindradhiraj University for 60 years. This journal publishes a wide range of academic works both within and outside the institute in Thailand. Recently, this journal was renamed from "Vajira Medical Journal" to "**Vajira Medical Journal: Journal of Urban Medicine (Vajira Med J)**". The rebranding process not only sets the new name, but also gears for the scope of our journal. The identity of this journal focuses on basic or applied medical and health sciences research especially urban medicine field.

Regarding academic Thai ranking, the Vajira Med J is indexed in the journal database of the Thai-Journal Citation Index Centre: TCI for the first time in 2002. The Journal was certified as an academic journal (Tier 1) from 2012 until 2019. However, the journal has currently been classified as tier 2 by the TCI. From this issue with new image of the journal, we attempt to raise the level of this journal back to the tier 1 level and further to the international level. To ensure that high quality scientific works are contributed to the field of academic publication, the editors enforce a rigorous peer-review procedure along with strong ethical principles and standards. Moreover, we have such a strong commitment to this journal that we look forward to having the support of national/international authors and readers to join us in this great achievement in the future.

As Editors of the Vajira Medical Journal: Journal of Urban Medicine, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the authors and express our sincere desire to use this journal for communicating and sharing the ideas of readers and/or researchers in the medical (especially urban medicine) and health sciences.

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