The People Behind the Journal: A New Editorial Team for 2016

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In New Zealand, whence I hail, we have a much-loved Māori maxim: “Ui mai ki ahau, ‘He aha te mea nui o te Ao?’ Māku e kī atu: he tangata, he tangata, he tangata,” which translates, “If you ask me, ‘What is the most important thing in the world?’ I will tell you, ‘It is the people, it is the people, it is the people.’

There are several groups of people crucial to the success of a journal: authors, reviewers, Editorial Board members, editors, and you, our readers. I would like to introduce to you a group of people who will be integral to the quality and direction of this journal: the new Editorial Board.

But first, some context. JOSPT has grown and matured considerably since its inception 37 years ago. Under the leadership of immediate past Editor-in-Chief Dr Guy Simoneau, from 2002 to 2015, the number of manuscripts published per year has almost doubled, from 50 to 98, with more than half now originating from beyond the United States.14 Distribution of the Journal has increased exponentially, with 37 partner organizations representing physical therapists in 27 countries,15 now reaching more than 35,000 individual subscribers, around 75% of whom reside in North America, plus numerous institutional subscribers. Readership satisfaction is very high, and quality metrics, such as journal impact factor, have risen strongly. Currently, JOSPT is the highest-ranked specialist-area physical therapy journal and the second highest-ranked physical therapy journal overall. The Journal is ranked among the top 10 across all disciplines in the fields of orthopaedics (eighth of 72 journals), rehabilitation (fourth of 134 journals), and sports sciences (10th of 81 journals).16 Dr Simoneau has left a legacy of a journal at the peak of its prominence, for which we honor him.12 Our task now is not only to continue but also to surpass JOSPT’s trajectory, and within these statistics lie our guidance. They speak to our authors, our readers, and our credibility. These 3 key domains have guided the structure of the new Editorial Board.

For 2016, the Editorial Board consists of a team responsible primarily for author-submitted manuscripts—mainly research reports, including systematic reviews—and a team responsible for invited content and special features, such as editorials, invited expert commentaries, and Perspectives for Patients. The International Editorial Review Board and team of associate editors and editors (see the masthead in previous pages) who handle author-submitted manuscripts are more international than ever before. The special features editorial team is dedicated to bringing readers tailored, expert content informing clinical practice, putting research into context, and challenging and debating new ideas.

Associate Editors
Professor Garry Allison is Dean of Research and Graduate Studies at Curtin University Faculty of Health Sciences, and Professor of Neuroscience and Trauma Physiotherapy. He has published widely on motor control in rehabilitation, having authored seminal publications in the spinal stability literature in Spine, JOSPT, and Clinical Biomechanics. He also has expertise in competitive strategy, culture and leadership in elite sports, rehabilitation, health systems, and researcher capability.

Professor Brian Caulfield is the Dean of Physiotherapy at University College Dublin, and is Director of Ireland’s largest research center, the Insight Centre.
for Data Analytics. He is interested in the application of technology supports for human performance evaluation and enhancement, in particular leveraging wearable sensors and neuromuscular electrical stimulation, as well as understanding factors associated with development of chronic ankle instability following ankle index sprain. He has published widely in such high-impact journals as the Journal of Neuroengineering and Rehabilitation, Journal of Applied Physiology, Sports Medicine, and the Annals of Internal Medicine.

Professor Josh Cleland (Franklin Pierce University, Manchester, NH) is a highly influential expert in the effectiveness of manual therapy and exercise for the management of musculoskeletal disorders. He is a prolific author and winner of the Jules Rothstein Golden Pen Award for contribution to the scientific literature. He has published numerous articles in influential journals such as JOSPT, Physical Therapy, and the Annals of Internal Medicine.

Dr Todd Davenport, an Associate Professor at the University of the Pacific (Stockton, CA), is a clinician-scholar with expertise in orthopaedic patient-client management, particularly differential diagnosis, manual therapy, and chronic conditions. He considers his most influential work in the area of chronic conditions to be a conceptual paper in Physical Therapy regarding science-based rehabilitation for people with myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome, and his work with the ICF-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines Work Group of the Orthopaedic Section of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA).

Professor Tim Flynn is a renowned clinician-scholar, particularly in the fields of chronic pain and low back disorders in older adults. He is most well known for his seminal work in the physical therapy literature on clinical decision rules. His research, published in Spine, the Annals of Internal Medicine, and elsewhere, influences clinical practice worldwide and has twice been awarded the Steven J. Rose Excellence in Research Award.

Dr Karin Grävare Silbernagel (University of Delaware, Newark, DE) is a clinical researcher with expertise in sports and orthopaedics. Her main area of research is on tendon injuries, particularly the Achilles and patellar tendons. A successful clinical research academic both in Europe and the United States, she has continued to have PhD students in Sweden while pursuing her academic career in the United States. Her most significant works are as the principal investigator...
on 2 randomized clinical trials in people with Achilles tendinopathy and as co-principal investigator on 2 randomized clinical trials in people with Achilles tendon ruptures. She has published in key journals such as the American Journal of Sports Medicine, British Journal of Sports Medicine, and the Scandinavian Journal of Medicine and Science in Sports.

Dr Jonathan Hill (Keele University, Keele, UK) is probably best known for his work on the STarT Back (Subgrouping for Targeted Treatment) stratified care approach for patients with low back pain. The STarT Back Trial demonstrated compelling evidence for stratified primary care—not only did patient outcomes significantly improve, but health care and societal costs were also simultaneously reduced. He is currently leading a similar trial to test stratified care in a sample of 3150 patients with musculoskeletal pain in the 5 most common regions: back, neck, knee, shoulder, and multisite pain. In addition to his highly cited publication in The Lancet, he has published in numerous high-impact journals such as Pain, British Journal of Sports Medicine, Rheumatology, and the Journal of Physiotherapy.

Dr Stephen Kamper has had a highly productive research career in both Australia (The George Institute, University of Sydney) and the Netherlands (Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam). His research activity has centered on spinal pain in adults and children and measurement of patient-reported outcomes, and he is also actively involved in initiatives to connect and support early-career researchers and to teach research methods and evidence-based practice to clinicians. His work has been published in high-impact general medical journals, including the British Medical Journal, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, and Mayo Clinic Proceedings, as well as field-specific journals such as Pain, British Journal of Sports Medicine, Rheumatology, and the Journal of Physiotherapy.

Dr Luciola da Cunha Menezes Costa is an Associate Professor in physical therapy at the Universidade Cidade de São Paulo, São Paulo, Brazil. Her primary areas of research and teaching are related to the management of low back pain in primary care and community settings, particularly in the prognosis of chronic low back pain. She also conducts studies of measurement properties of health-related outcome measures. Dr Menezes...
Dr John Childs’ research agenda is focused on injury prevention, comparative effectiveness research, randomized trials, matching the most effective treatments to various subgroups of patients, and examining the outcomes of translating decision-making strategies into physical therapy practice. Dr Childs is probably best known for his research following Dr Flynn’s seminal work in the physical therapy literature on clinical decision rules, for which Dr Childs was awarded the Eugene Michels New Investigator Award. In addition to that work in the Annals of Internal Medicine, he has published in BMC Medicine, JOSPT, and Physical Therapy.

Dr Lori Michener (University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA) is a clinician-scholar whose work investigates the mechanisms of musculoskeletal shoulder pain and clinical examination strategies and who applies this knowledge to develop and refine treatment programs for that patient population. She has served as the Research Committee Chair of the Orthopaedic Section of the APTA, and has published extensively in such journals as the British Journal of Sports Medicine, Journal of Biomechanics, the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and, of course, JOSPT.

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Costa has published widely, including in the British Medical Journal, Canadian Medical Association Journal, Pain, JOSPT, and Physical Therapy.
Active in the field of integrated knowledge translation in rehabilitation research, Dr. Sibley’s interests also include the neurophysiology of postural control. Dr. Sibley led the development of international recommendations for a core set of outcome measures to be used when measuring balance in adult populations (published in *PLoS One* in 2015), and has published in high-impact journals such as *Implementation Science* and *JAMA Pediatrics*.

Professor Guy Simoneau (Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI) will coordinate special issues of the *Journal* for 2016. Dr. Simoneau is immediate past Editor-in-Chief of *JOSPT*.

Professor May Arna Risberg is the chair of the Norwegian Research Center for Active Rehabilitation; a professor of Sports Physical Therapy at the Norwegian School of Sport Sciences, Department of Sports Medicine; and a researcher in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Oslo University Hospital, Oslo, Norway. She was a Guest Professor in 2002 and is now an Adjunct Clinical Professor in the Department of Physical Therapy, University of Delaware, Newark, DE. Her research, focusing on anterior cruciate ligament injury, knee osteoarthritis, and hip osteoarthritis, has been published in high-impact journals including the *Annals of the Rheumatic Diseases*, *The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery* (American volume), and the *British Journal of Sports Medicine*.

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Dr Deydre Teyhen is a Colonel in the US Army Medical Specialist Corps, and leads the System for Health Performance Triad for the Office of the Surgeon General. Dr Teyhen is a clinician-scholar who has formerly held posts as Associate Professor and Director of the Center for Physical Therapy Research for the US Army-Baylor University Doctoral Program in Physical Therapy at Ft Sam Houston, TX, and as Chief of the Musculoskeletal Care Center and Chief of Physical Therapy at Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center, Ft Meade, MD. Her research has focused on injury prevention and rehabilitation, with a special emphasis on soldier medical readiness.

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concentrates her clinical practice and research in the areas of knee and shoulder rehabilitation and electrical stimulation of muscle. She has authored more than 200 research publications in the areas of knee rehabilitation and neuromuscular electrical stimulation, and regularly speaks to national and international audiences on these topics. Her research has won several major awards, helping patients and practitioners and answering critical questions in sports and orthopaedic rehabilitation, including APTA’s Eugene Michels New Investigator Award, the Golden Pen Award, the Marion Williams Award for Research in Physical Therapy, the Helen J. Hislop Award for Outstanding Contributions to Professional Literature, the Orthopaedic Section’s Rose Award for Excellence in Orthopaedic Research (3 times), the Ron Peyton Award from the Sports Physical Therapy Section, and the John P. Maley Award from the Section on Research. Her international collaborative research on anterior cruciate ligament injuries was awarded a prestigious National Institutes of Health MERIT Award in 2013. She was named a Catherine Worthingham Fellow of the APTA in 2003, and in 2015 became the 46th Mary McMillan Lecturer, APTA’s highest honor.
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Musculoskeletal Imaging Handbook,10 the first collaborative text between a physical therapist and a radiologist; Dr Michael Rosenthal, a physical therapist and a Captain in the US Navy Medical Service Corps; and Dr Matthew Walsworth, a physical therapist turned MD radiologist.16

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