

EDITORIAL The State of *JUNE*

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JUNE's readers have a right to know how the journal is doing and the plans for *JUNE*'s future. *JUNE* "belongs" to all FUN members and the larger community of neuroscience educators. So it is important that the state of *JUNE* be periodically communicated to its readers.

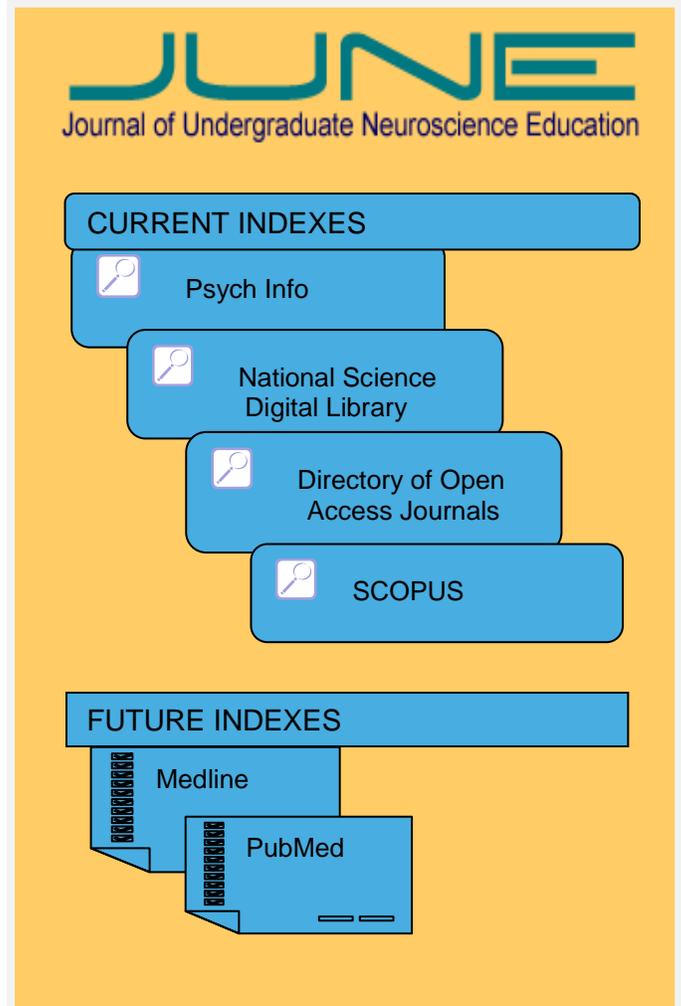
JUNE is doing well as far as readership goes. In the past year, *JUNE* was visited 7,411 times, by 5,164 unique visitors. A quick math check will reveal that a good amount of our traffic was repeat visitors (about 30%), which shows that *JUNE* is appreciated as a resource by many.

JUNE is already indexed in Psych Info (thanks to Dr. Gary Dunbar, Senior Editor), as well in the National Science Digital Library and the Directory of Open Access Journals due to efforts of the current Editor-In-Chief. Further, *JUNE* is also found on SCOPUS, a database allowing one to track citations of *JUNE* articles.

We are working toward indexing *JUNE* in PubMed. As a first step, we adopted firm publication dates of October 15 and March 15. More importantly, an editorial board committee of Dr. Gary Dunbar, Dr. Raddy Ramos, and Dr. Julio Ramirez is preparing the application to the Literature Selection Technical Review Committee (LSTRC), which determines the publications indexed in Medline, and consequently PubMed. For a journal like *JUNE*, two full issues in XML (Extensible Markup Language) are required. XML is standard format that requires descriptive information such as author, title of article, and date of publication to appear as certain delimiters. Because XML format is invariant and predictable, it enables computer robots on the web to harvest information on the basis of a script.

The present objective in the application process is to convert our files from their current PDF format to XML format. This task is being accomplished by Dr. Raddy Ramos via a website set up for *JUNE* by Dr. Robert Calin-Jageman. Hopefully, the first batch will be converted by the end of March 2012. Ultimately, all of the issues of *JUNE* will be converted to XML format so that past issues will be indexed on PubMed once *JUNE* has been accepted by the LSTRC.

All of the individuals mentioned above have generously volunteered their time. Similarly, the other board members, reviewers, and authors who make this journal possible volunteer their time and efforts. To all involved, a huge debt of thanks is owed.



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