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**Title:** New Year's message from the Editorial Office of World Journal of Cardiology

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The article is a brief editorial and covers the publishing statistics for the WJC and its main aims with emphasis on future development. It is straightforward, non-controversial and covers its aim in a succinct manner.

**Reply:** Thank you for your reviewing.

**Reviewer's code:** 01193907

Just a few small suggestions to improve manuscript, but nothing major. Please see attached document for details.

This is a useful and informative editorial that summarises inputs and outputs of WJC for 2020.

Some minor comments/adjustments:

Page 2 (Abstract) – line 8. “We have now analyzed the metric data of WJC's manuscripts that were submitted and published in 2020, the peer review of manuscripts in 2020, the invited manuscripts for 2021, and the Editorial Board members composition and activities.”

Members should have apostrophe afterwards – members’.

Page 3, section 2. “We received a total of 103 manuscripts in 2020, of which 26 (25.2%, 26/103 ) were rejected and 58 (56.31%, 58/103) were published online by the Production Department.”

Firstly, the fate of the other 19 manuscripts (18.45%) is not stated – I assume these are



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still under review/production but this should be stated.

Secondly, the numbers in parentheses (e.g. 26/103) are redundant as the total number (103) and actual numbers (26) are given in text. So I think just the percentages should appear in parentheses.

This comment applies to all subsequent sections as well.

“The main columns represented by the published manuscripts were original articles and review (Figure 1).”

Review should be plural – reviews.

Page 4, paragraph 3. “According to data from the Web of Science, the WJC published 66 articles in 2018-2019, the yielded total cites of 188 times in 2020.”

Firstly, it would be good to include a reference (webpage) for Web of Science.

Secondly, “the” seems incorrect – replace with “which”?

Page 5, Conclusion. “In order to raise the academic rank of WJC in 2021, we will rely on the continuous support and submissions from our established and new authors and the dedicated efforts and expertise of our invited reviewers, many of who also serve on our Editorial Board.”

Replace “who” with “whom” for grammatical correctness.

**Reply:** Thank you for your reviewing. We have revised all information according to your comment, in details see in our revised manuscript.

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