

APM Annual Report (2025)

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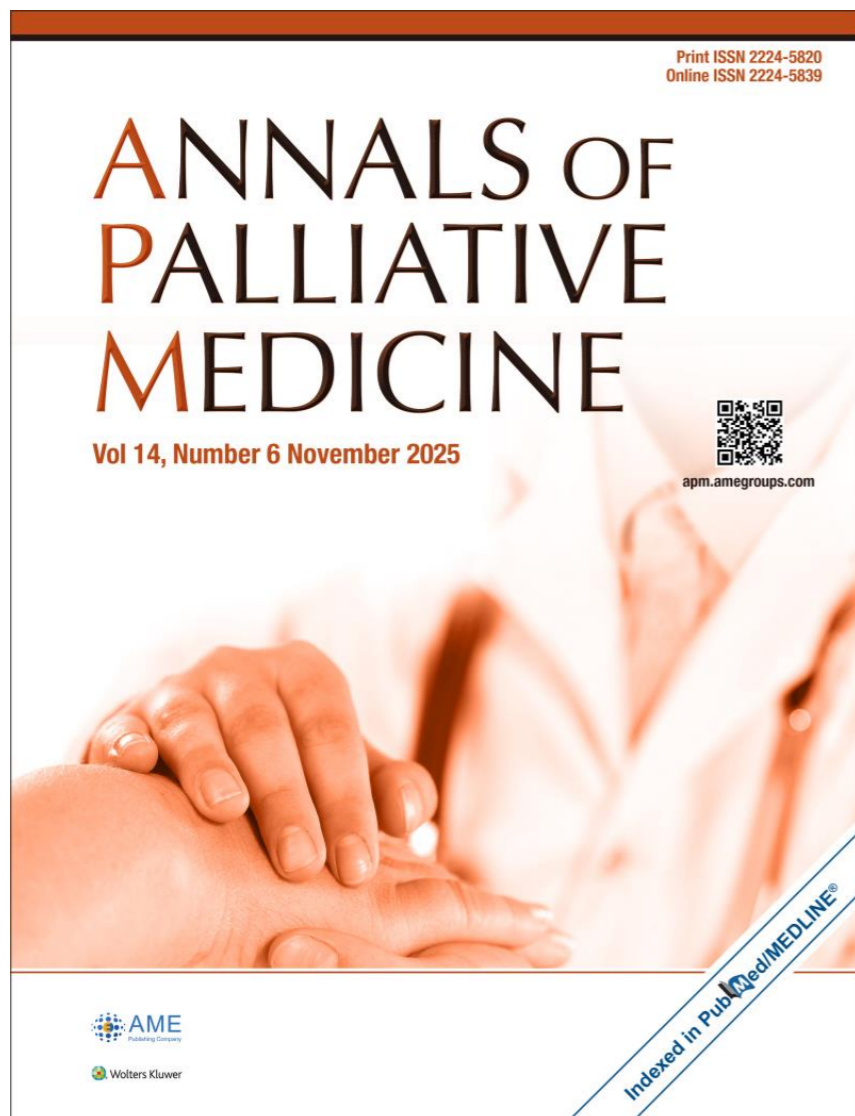
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1. Basic Information



(Print ISSN 2224-5820; Online ISSN 2224-5839)

- Launched in April 2012
- Open Access, Peer-Reviewed, Bimonthly Publication (January/March/May/July/September/November)
- Indexed and covered by:
 - **PubMed**
 - **MEDLINE**
 - **Ovid**
- The aim of the journal is to provide up-to-date and cutting-edge information and professional support for health care providers in palliative medicine disciplines to improve the quality of life for patients and their families and caregiver.

2. Scope of the Journal

The scope of APM encompasses supportive care, palliative care, hospice care and public health palliative care. We will specifically solicit articles pertaining to serious or life-threatening diseases to focus on the supportive, palliative, hospice, and public health aspects of medicine and care related to these conditions.

Below are eight sections of APM:

- **Palliative medicine and palliative care for incurable cancer**

Including, but are not limited to advanced lung cancer, advanced breast cancer, advanced colon cancer, advanced pancreatic cancer, advanced liver cancer, advanced gastrointestinal cancer, advanced cervical cancer, incurable hematological malignancies, and multiple metastatic cancer.

- **Palliative medicine and palliative care for serious or advanced diseases**

Including, but are not limited to dementia, multiple sclerosis and other neurodegenerative diseases, severe aortic stenosis or heart failure, acquired immune deficiency syndrome, chronic or end-stage lung disease, chronic or end-stage liver disease, chronic or end-stage kidney disease, and other uncontrolled situations requiring intensive care.

2. Scope of the Journal

•Symptom management in palliative medicine and palliative care

Including, but are not limited to pain assessment and management, difficulty in swallowing, nausea and vomiting, constipation and diarrhea, anorexia and weight loss, hiccups, ulcers, difficulty in breathing, coughing, lymphedema, difficulty in urinating, fatigue and weakness, sleep disorders, bleeding, and thrombotic complications.

•Psychiatric, psychological, social, and spiritual issues in palliative medicine and palliative care

Including, but are not limited to depression, fear, anxiety, loss of dignity, delirium, social and cultural differences, loss of meaning and purpose, existential issues, and bereavement.

•Public health in palliative medicine and palliative care

Including, but are not limited to evidence-based advanced care planning, role of community support and engagement, challenges of equity, diversity and inclusion, challenges of continuity of care, caregiver and bereavement social support, public education and civic policy development, job and financial losses, and religious and cultural meaning.

2. Scope of the Journal

- **Teamwork and education in palliative medicine and palliative care**

Including, but are not limited to the professional roles, collaboration and training of physicians/nurses/pharmacists/nutritionists/radiologists/physiotherapists/social workers/spiritual care providers/volunteers, discussions on prevention and management of burnout and compassion fatigue among healthcare providers.

- **Ethics and policy in palliative medicine and palliative care**

Including, but are not limited to human rights, ethical dilemmas, euthanasia, do not resuscitate orders and family decision making, and withholding and withdrawing life-sustaining treatment.

- **Communication in palliative medicine and palliative care**

Including, but are not limited to communication skills with patients and families, difficult conversation scenarios, truth-telling and consent, and communication in multicultural contexts.

3. Editors-in-Chief



Charles B. Simone, II, MD, FACRO

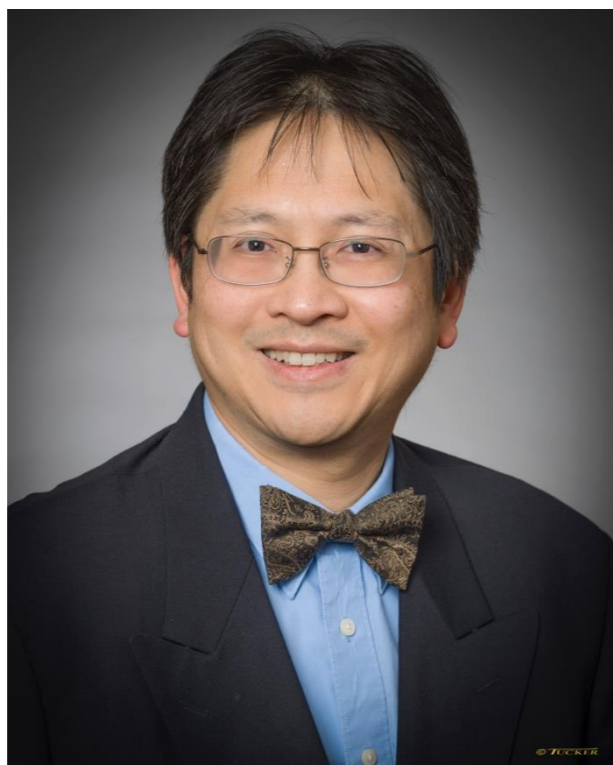
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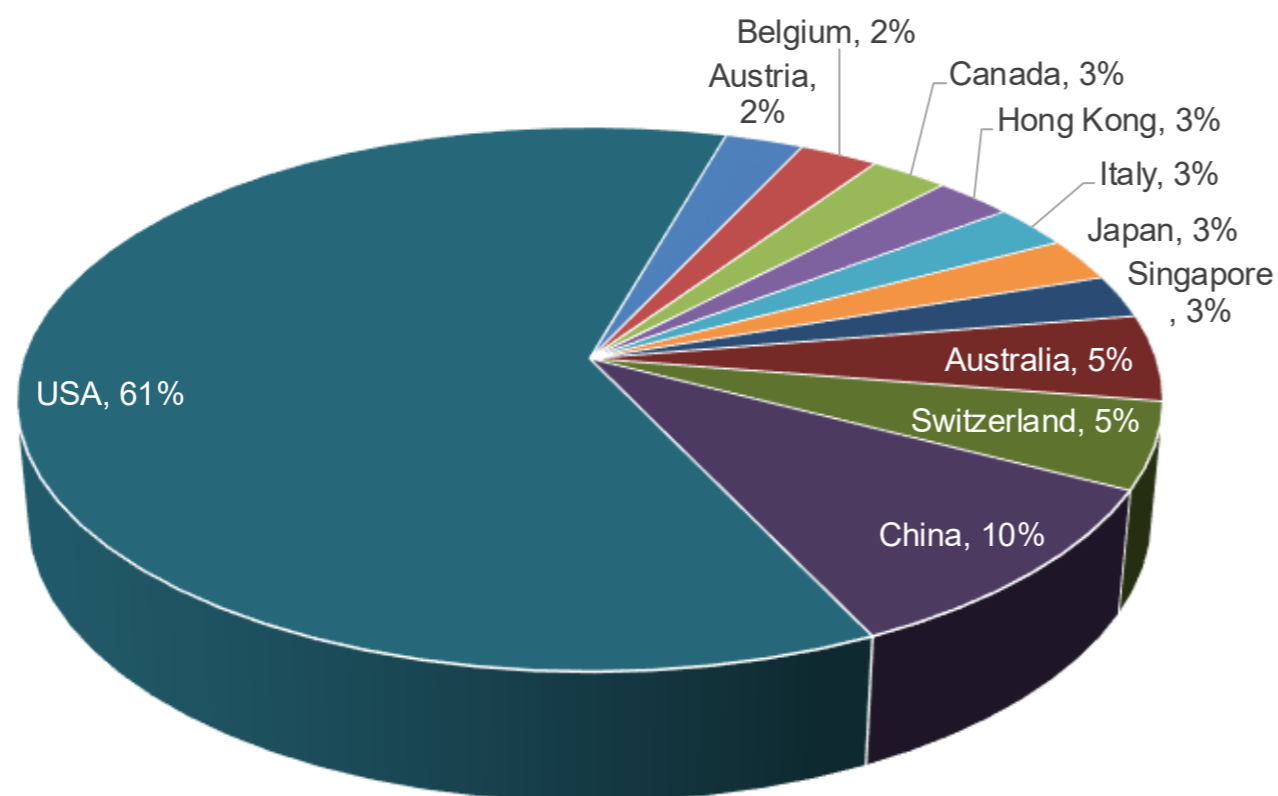
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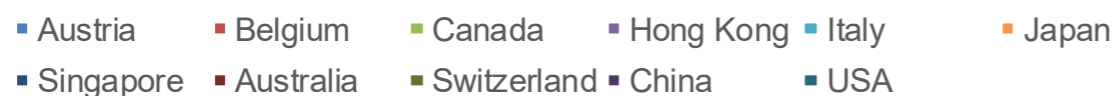
6. Distribution of Editorial Board Members



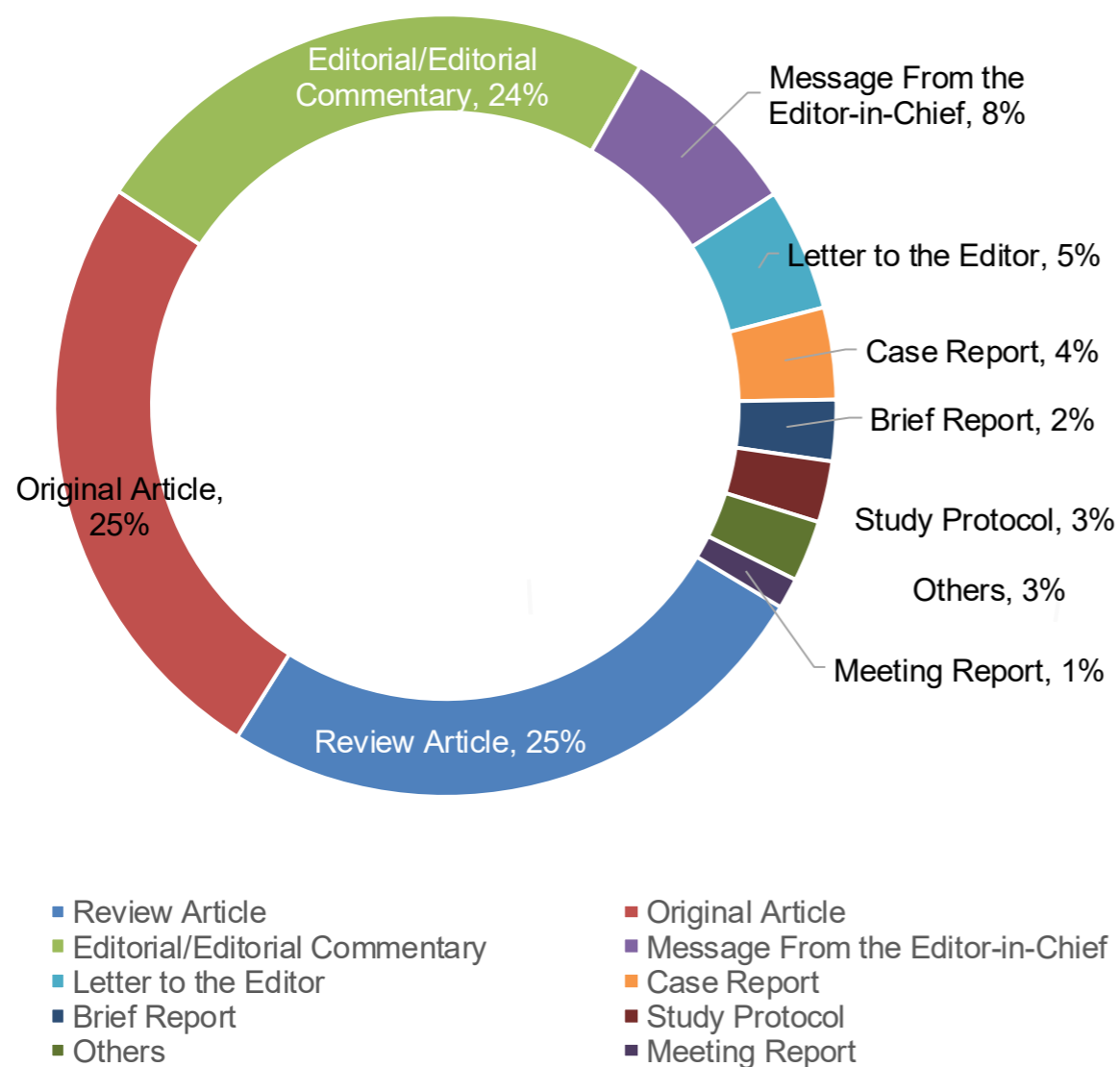
APM has **39** Editorial Board

Members from **11** countries, with a majority from USA.

- **2** Editors-in-Chief
- **2** Associate Editors-in-Chief
- **2** Associate Editors
- **33** Editorial Board



7. Diverse Types of Articles Published in 2025

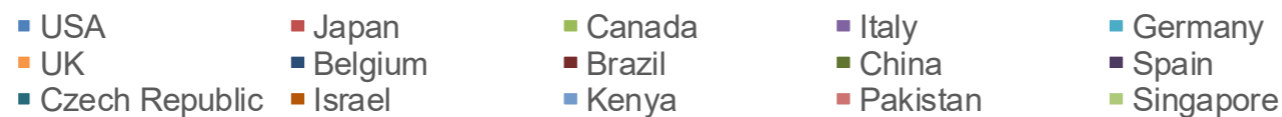
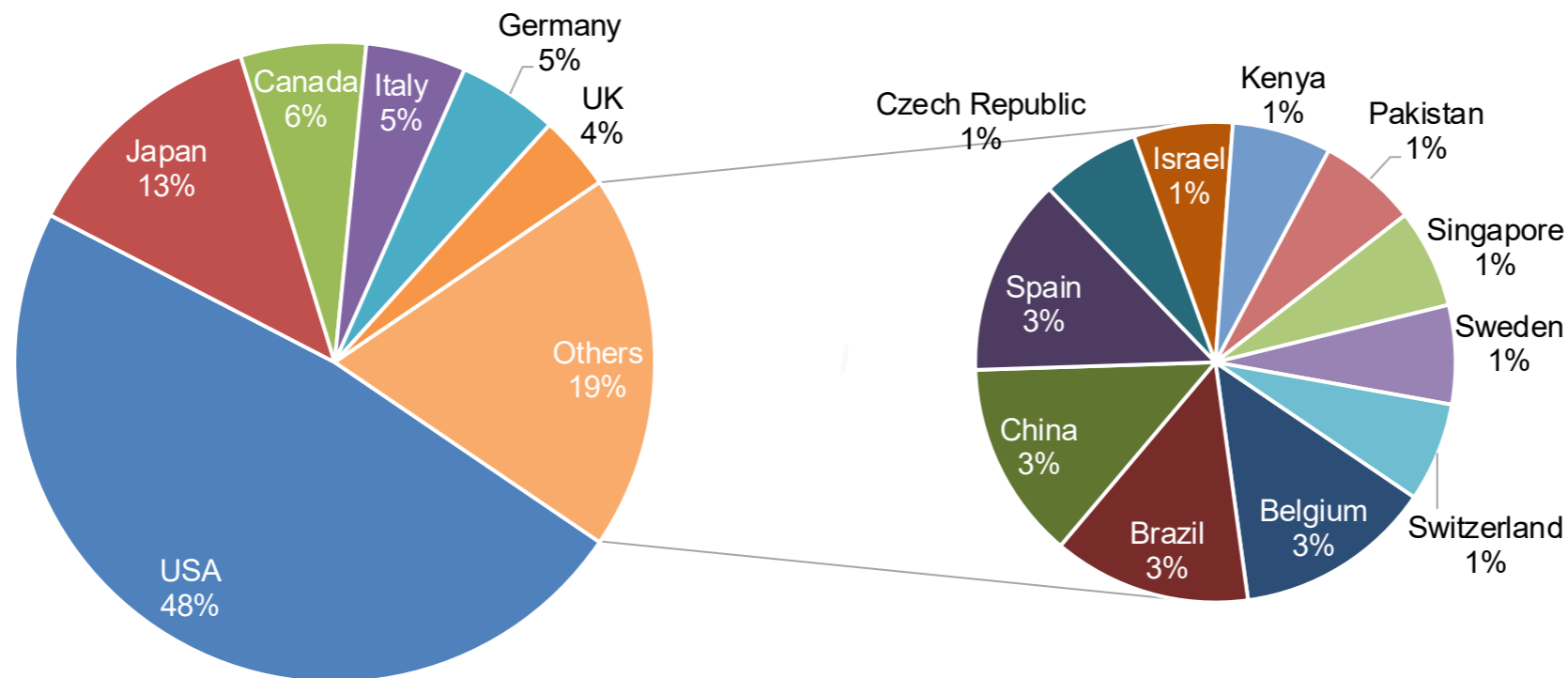


In 2025, APM has published **79** articles, among which there are:

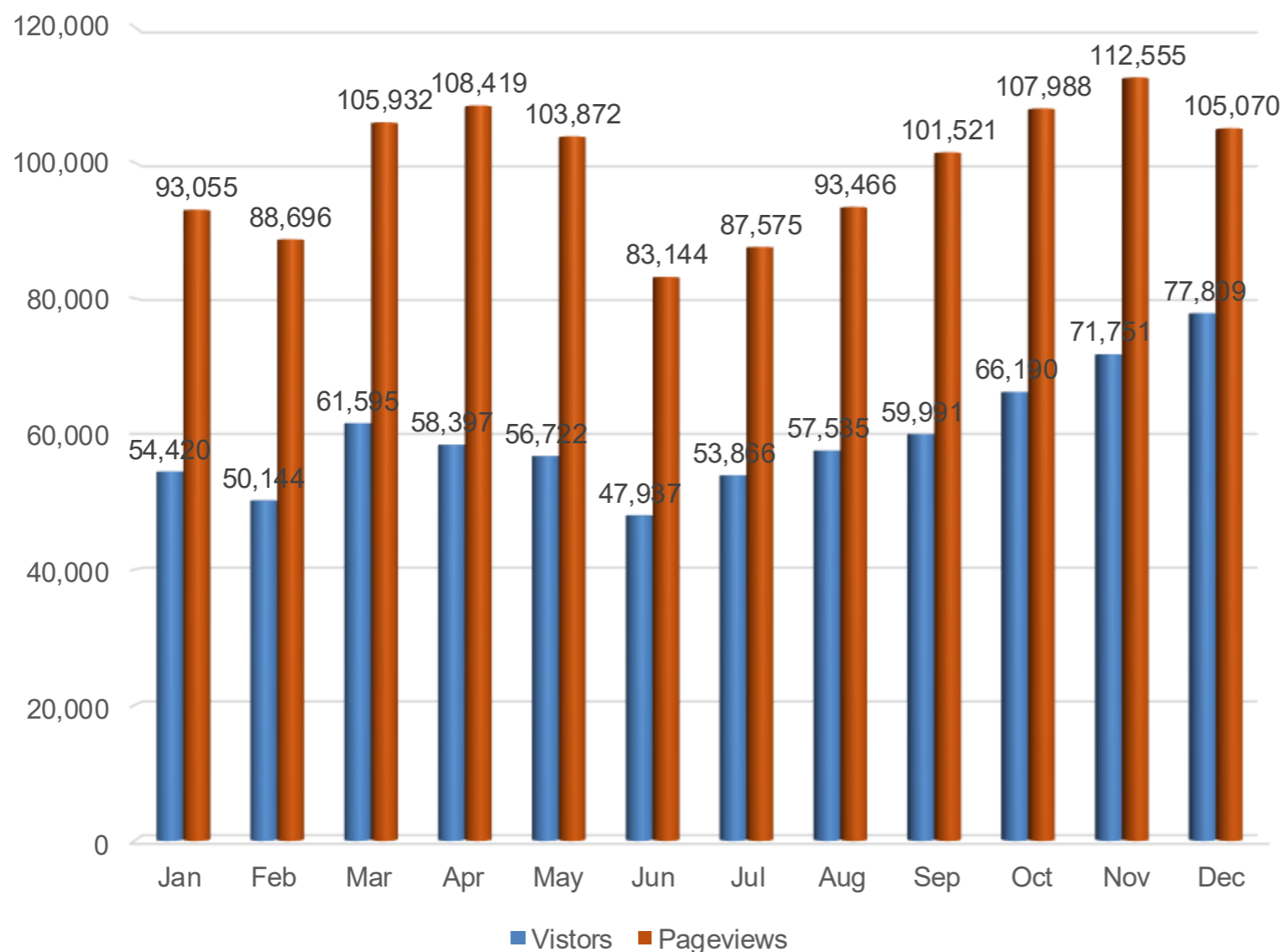
- 20** Original Articles,
- 20** Review Articles,
- 19** Editorials/ Editorial Commentaries,
- 6** Messages From the Editor-in-Chief,
- 4** Letters to the Editor,
- 3** Case Reports, etc.

8. International Diversity of Corresponding Authors in 2025

Corresponding authors of 79 articles published in 2025 came from **17 countries**, with mostly from **USA, Japan, and Canada**.



9. Website Visits in 2025



Country	Users (Top 10)
USA	159,413
China	79,943
India	48,630
UK	33,913
Singapore	31,350
Indonesia	27,054
Australia	25,452
Canada	20,631
Brazil	17,580
Philippines	11,832

All together **680,370** visitors with **1,191,566** pageviews in 2025. Readers were from diverse countries, with the majority from USA, followed by China, India, UK, and Singapore.

Note: Data collected from Google Analytics on January 8, 2026.

10.1 Most Read Articles Published in 2025 (Top 10)

Article Type	Title	Authors	Link
Review Article Symptom Management in Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care	Chronic chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy: living with neuropathy during and after cancer treatments	Nur Rahman, Jasmine Sukumar, Maryam B. Lustberg	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/136218/html
Review Article Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care for Serious or Advanced Diseases	Palliative care in the older adult with advanced lung disease	Elaine Chen, Sean O'Mahony	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/133771/html
Original Article Teamwork and Education in Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care	Preparing for death: a survey on rituals in the dying phase in the Christian context in Germany	Julia Thiesbonenkamp-Maag, Christina Gerlach, Guido Sprenger, Johannes Eurich, Bernd Alt-Epping	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/133774/html
Original Article Psychiatric, Psychological, Social, and Spiritual Issues in Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care	Subcutaneous dexmedetomidine for sedation of agitated delirium in palliative care: a case series	Julie Lapenskie, James Downar, Amanda Wolfe, Nadia Polskaia, Kate van den Berg, Christine Watt, Shirley H. Bush, Kaitlyn Boese, Christopher J. Barnes, Henrique A. Parsons, Salmaan Kanji, Brandon Heidinger, Peter G. Lawlor	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/133769/html
Review Article Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care for Serious or Advanced Diseases	Sarcopenia in cirrhosis: a clinical practice review	Ussama Ghumman, Brian Lee, Dakota Bigham, Eugenia Tsai	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/138675/html

*Data collected from the Journal Website - Most Read Page on January 8, 2026 (<https://apm.amegroups.org/article/mostRead?queryYear=2025>).

10.1 Most Read Articles Published in 2025 (Top 10)

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Review Article Public Health in Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care	Caregiver needs in end-of-life care are diverse, yet invisible: a narrative review	Alice Koo, Michelle Low, Zhi-Zheng Yeo, Jonathan Ee, Poh-Heng Chong	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/135887/html
Original Article Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care for Incurable Cancer	Active treatment at the end of life—importance of palliative care in advanced non-small cell lung cancer: a cohort study	Luis Posado-Domínguez, Alejandro Olivares-Hernández, Lorena Bellido-Hernández, María Martín-Galache, Jonnathan Roldán-Ruíz, Laura Corvo-Félix, Emilio Fonseca-Sánchez, Edel Del Barco-Morillo	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/133473/html
Original Article Public Health in Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care	Preparedness for the future in patients with relapsed or refractory hematopoietic malignancies in the treatment process: a qualitative study	Kazuko Akashi, Yoshie Imai, Shingen Nakamura, Yusaku Maeda, Ryohei Sumitani, Masahiro Oura, Kimiko Sogabe, Mamiko Takahashi, Shiro Fujii, Takeshi Harada, Hirokazu Miki	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/133772/html
Review Article Supportive Care After Breast Cancer: Challenges and Opportunities	Chronic radiation dermatitis in breast cancer patients: pathophysiology, prevention and management strategies, and clinical impact	Molly A. Chakraborty, Shing Fung Lee, Henry C. Y. Wong, Shirley S. W. Tse, Adrian Wai Chan, Jennifer Y. Y. Kwan, Caroline Hircock, Charles B. Simone II, Edward Chow, J. Isabelle Choi	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/138693/html
Original Article Public Health in Palliative Medicine and Palliative Care	The role of community health workers in a collaborative care management intervention for cancer pain management: a feasibility study for a randomized controlled trial	Abby M. Lohr, Joan M. Griffin, Jhenitza P. Raygoza, Marcus R. Frick, Sarah A. Minter, Jon C. Tilburt, Andrea L. Cheville, Jessica D. Austin	https://apm.amegroups.org/article/view/133476/html

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11. Special Columns

11.1 Interviews with Editorial Board Members (2025)

APM features a distinguished editorial board, the members of which continue to instill the power of their expertise for the journal's development. With this column, we are glad to introduce to you some of them in the form of interviews, in which they will share their unique career experiences and perspectives. We believe their insights will shed light on the knowledge of related fields.

Column link at: <https://apm.amegroups.org/post/category/interviews-with-editorial-board-members>

[Meeting the Editorial Board Member of APM: Prof. Mitsunori Miyashita](#)

[Meeting the Editorial Board Member of APM: Dr. Eva Oldenburger](#)

[Meeting the Editorial Board Member of APM: Dr. Rony Dev](#)

11.2 Interviews with Outstanding Authors (2025)

APM authors have made outstanding contributions to our journal. Their articles have received very well feedback in the field and stimulate a lot of discussions and new insights among the peers. With this column, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding authors who have been making immense efforts in their research fields, with a brief interview of their unique perspective and insightful view as authors.

Column link at: <https://apm.amegroups.org/post/category/interviews-with-outstanding-authors>

Outstanding Authors (2025)

[Luis Posado-Domínguez, The University Hospital of Salamanca, Spain](#)

[Meena Kalluri, The University of Alberta, Canada](#)

[Abby M. Lohr, The Mayo Clinic, USA](#)

[Kazuko Akashi, Fuchu Hospital, Japan](#)

[Anna Andersson-Watz, The University Health Care Research Center, Sweden](#)

[Igal Lifshits, Rambam Health Care Campus, Israel](#)

[Sola Adeleke, King's College London, UK](#)

[Nur Rahman, Yale New Haven Health, USA](#)

[Alice Koo, HCA Hospice Care, Singapore](#)

[Brian H. Rowe, The University of Alberta, Canada](#)

[Christopher M. Wilson, Oakland University, USA](#)

[Rubina Ratnaparkhi, Southwest Women's Oncology, New Mexico](#)

[Toru Kadono, Osaka Medical and Pharmaceutical University Hospital, Japan](#)

[Junji Yamaguchi, National Cancer Center Hospital, Japan](#)

[Lucia Angelini, IRCCS Istituto Romagnolo per lo Studio dei Tumori, Italy](#)

[Yusuke Kuze, NHO Kinki Chuo Chest Medical Center, Japan](#)

11.3 Reviewer of the Month (2025)

In 2025, APM reviewers continue to make outstanding contributions to the peer review process.

They demonstrated professional effort and enthusiasm in their reviews and provided comments that genuinely help the authors to enhance their work. With this column, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding reviewers, with a brief interview of their thoughts and insights as a reviewer.

Column link at: <https://apm.amegroups.org/post/view/reviewer-of-the-month-2025>

Reviewer of the Month (2025)

[Tomoo Sato, Kobe City College of Nursing, Japan](#)

[Wen Yang Goh, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore](#)

[Mai Hosokawa, Iwate Prefectural University, Japan](#)

[Natalie Latuga, University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, USA](#)

[Aline M. O. Rocha, São Camilo University Center, Brazil](#)

[Sayaka Maeda, Kyoto University, Japan](#)

[Sharla Wells-Di Gregorio, The Ohio State University, USA](#)

[Ayush Gandhi, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, USA](#)

[Chi Yan Wong, Grantham Hospital, Hong Kong, China](#)

[David J. Oliver, University of Kent, UK](#)

11.4 Palliative Radiotherapy Column

The column features articles emphasizing the critical role of radiotherapy in palliative care. For articles in the column, please refer to:

<https://apm.amegroups.org/post/category/palliative-radiotherapy-column>



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11.5 Ongoing Special Series

➤ Topic: Value of Palliative Care



Guest Editors

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Peter May, PhD
Centre for Health Policy and
Management, Trinity College Dublin,
Dublin, Ireland

Rui Dang, PhD
Health Economics Department,
Westminster International University
in Tashkent, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

11.5 Ongoing Special Series

- **Topic: Advances in Radiofrequency Ablation**



Guest Editor

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11.5 Ongoing Special Series

- **Topic: Integration of Palliative Care and Mental Health Services**

GUEST EDITOR



ALEXANDER GAMBLE

Guest Editor

Alexander Gamble, MD

Department of Medicine, Section
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Stanford, CA, USA

11. 5 Ongoing Special Series

- **Topic:** Multidisciplinary and Holistic Palliative Care

GUEST EDITORS



EVA OLDENBURGER; JOHAN MENTEN

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11.5 Ongoing Special Series

- **Topic: Pain Management Options for Incurable Cancer**

GUEST EDITOR



ALAA ABD-ELSAYED

Guest Editor

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11.6 Published Special Series

- Topic: Radiotherapy for Oncologic Emergencies



Guest Editors

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11.6 Published Special Series

- **Topic:** Ethics and Psychiatry Meet Palliative Medicine



Guest Editors

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Hospital Basel (USB), Switzerland

Manuel Trachsel, MD

University of Basel, University
Hospital Basel (USB), Switzerland

11.6 Published Special Series

- **Topic: Palliative Care in GI Malignancies**



Guest Editor

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Cancer Institute, Rhode Island
Hospital, Providence, RI, USA

11.6 Published Special Series

- **Topic:** Outpatient Palliative Care in Geriatric Clinics



Guest Editors

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11.6 Published Special Series

➤ Topic: Supportive Care After Breast Cancer: Challenges and Opportunities



Guest Editors

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University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Maryam Lustberg, MD, MPH

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Elwyn Zhang, BA

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University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

11.6 Published Special Series

- **Topic:** Latest Research on COVID-19



Guest Editors

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Shweta Kapur, MS, PT

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12. Important News in 2025

In October 2025, AME has entered into a proposed journal publishing partnership with **Wolters Kluwer Health**: <https://www.newswise.com/articles/ame-and-wolters-kluwer-aim-to-expand-access-to-global-medical-research-through-new-collaboration>.

As part of the collaboration, **49** Open Access journals published by AME will be made available on Wolters Kluwer Health's **Lippincott** and **Ovid** platforms, including **APM**.

13. AME Publishing Company

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- 80+ Medical Books in English
- 120+ Medical Books in Chinese
- 150+ Electronic Editions
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