



# MEDIASTINUM

Annual Report 2024

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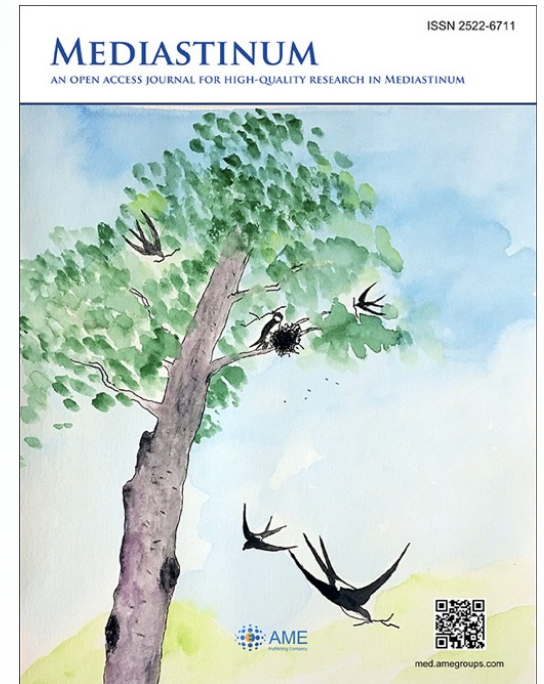
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## 1. General Information of the Journal

[Mediastinum](#) (ISSN 2522-6711)

- An open access and peer-reviewed medical journal
- Launched in March 2017
- Included in Scopus since June 2021
- Indexed in PubMed Central and PubMed Since November 2021
- Becoming the official journal of the International Thymic Malignancy Interest Group (ITMIG) in 2024
- The first and only publication specialized in mediastinum
  
- Scope: Covering all benign, malignant, and metastatic diseases related to or affecting the mediastinum, such as thymic epithelial tumors, lymphomas, germ cell or neurogenic tumors and metastasis diseases including lung cancer and esophageal cancer





## 2. Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Editor-in-Chief



**Wentao Fang, MD**

Professor,  
Department of Thoracic Surgery, Shanghai Chest Hospital,  
Shanghai, China

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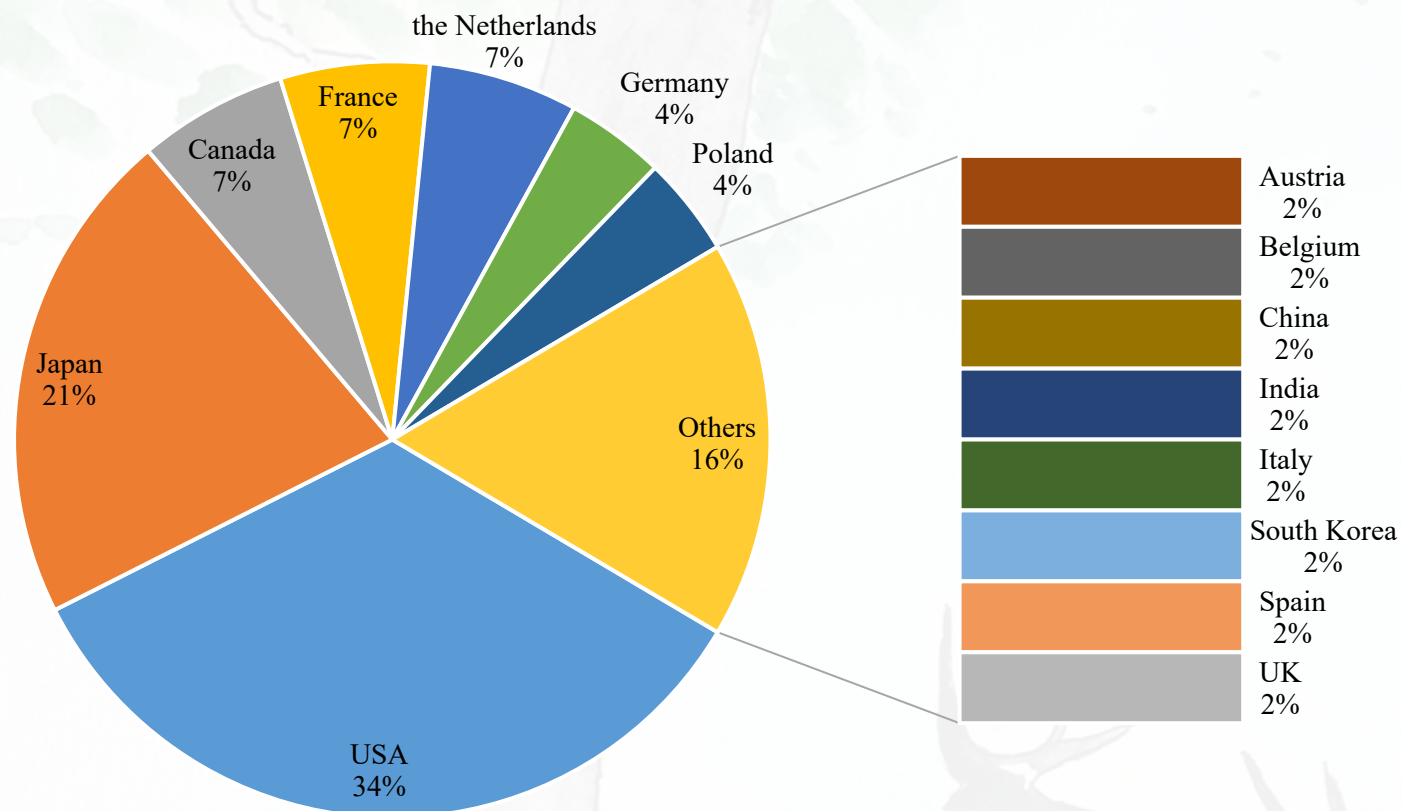
*On behalf of the editorial team, we would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the editorial board members, guest editors, authors, reviewers, and readers for your support and contributions to the journal throughout 2024. Your engagement is instrumental in promoting knowledge on mediastinal diseases. We look forward to another year of fruitful collaboration and progress.*

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Fang".

Wentao Fang, MD  
Editor-in-Chief

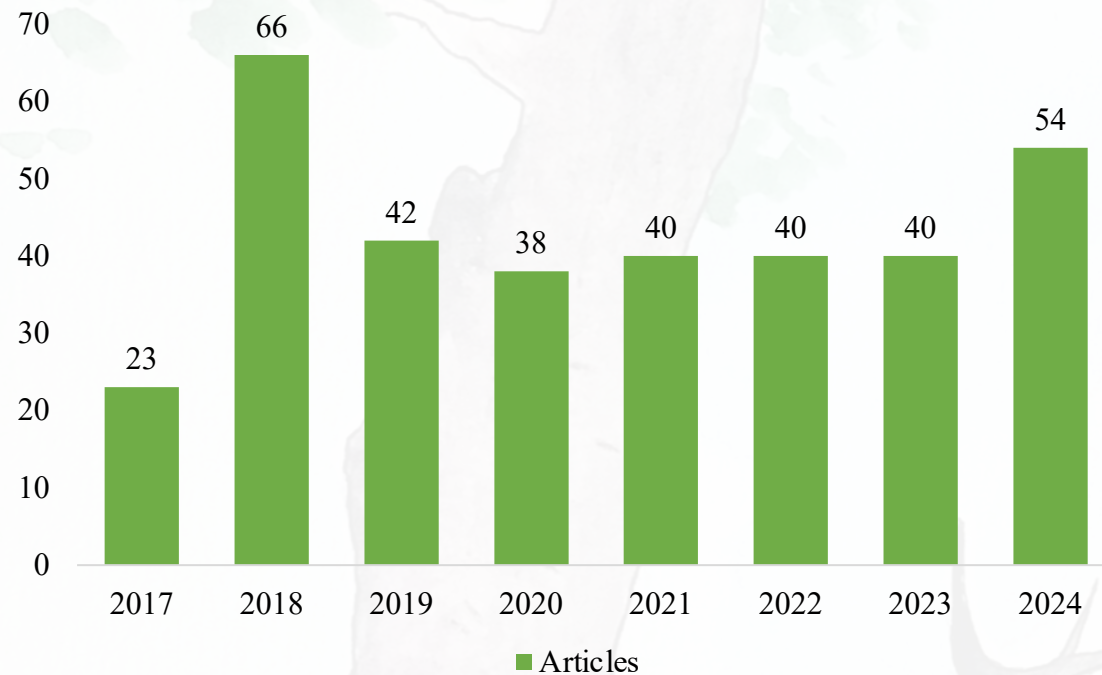


### 3. International Distribution of Editorial Board Members in 2024



Mediastinum’s editorial board comprises 47 members from 15 countries, with the largest proportion from the USA (34%), followed by Japan (21%).

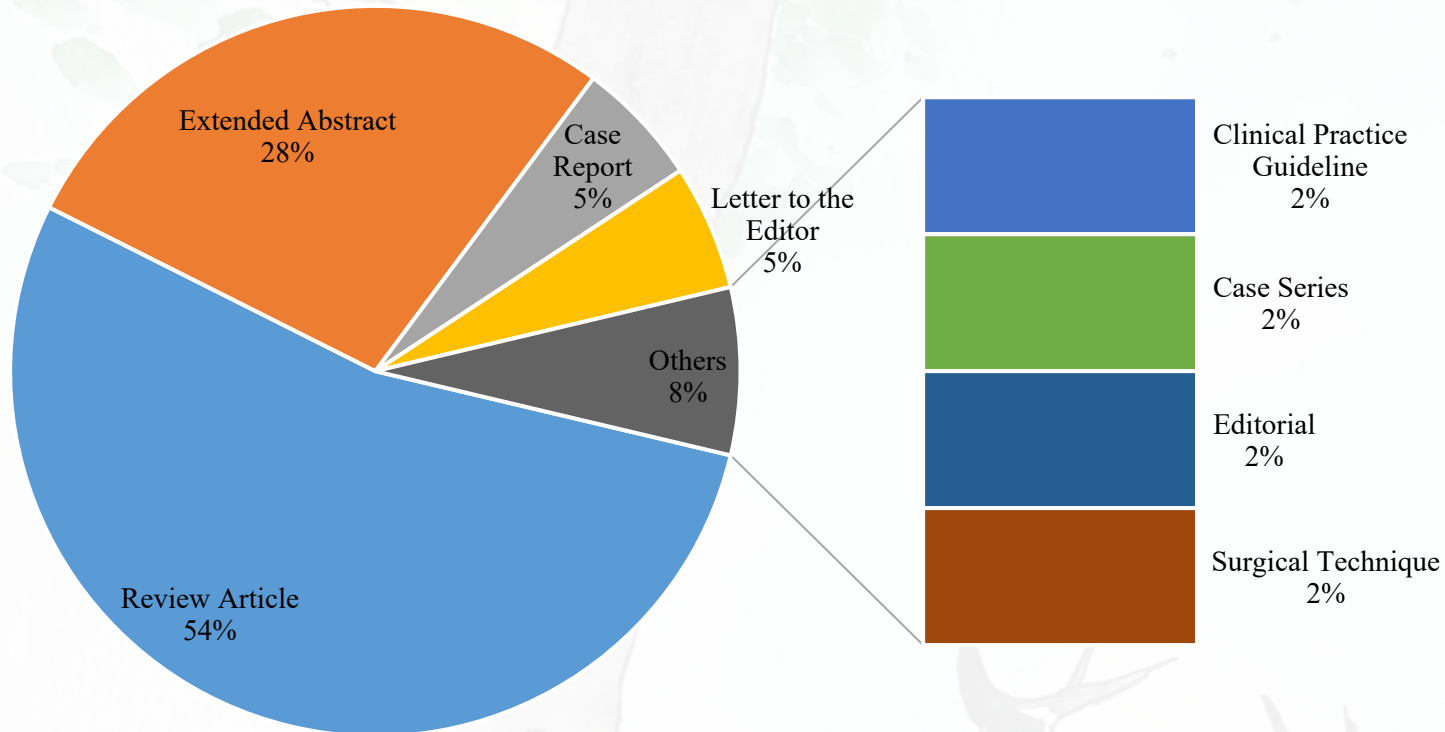
## 4. Published Articles by Year



- In 2024, Mediastinum published 54 articles - the highest annual output in recent years.
- From 2017 to 2024, a total of 343 articles were published.



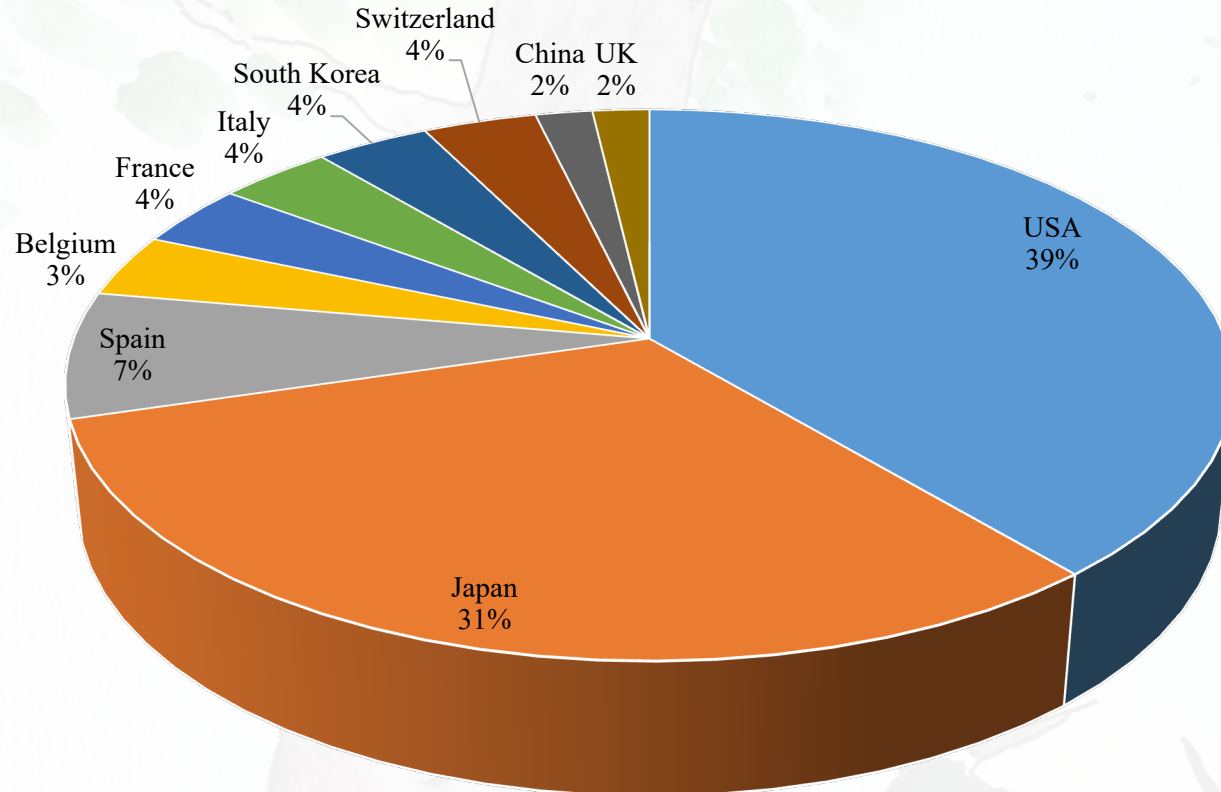
## 5. Diverse Types of Articles Published in 2024



In 2024, Mediastinum published a diverse range of 54 articles, with the majority of Review Articles (54%).



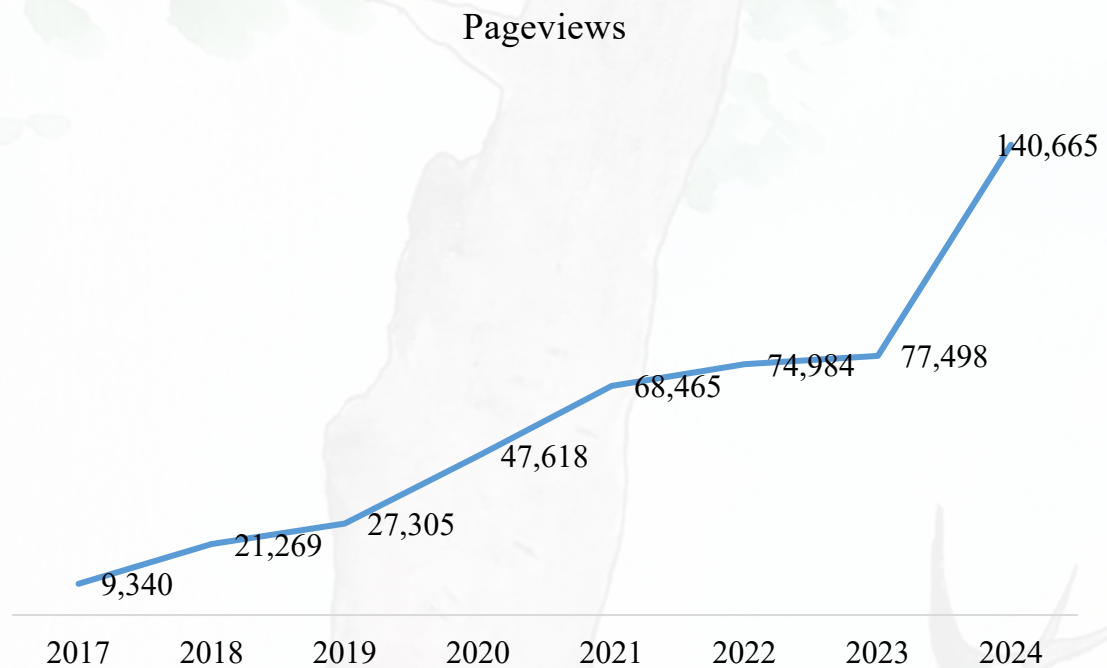
## 6. International Distribution of Corresponding Authors in 2024



In 2024, totally 54 corresponding authors from 10 countries were identified, with the largest group from the USA (39%), followed by Japan (31%), and several other countries.



## 7. Website Pageviews by Year



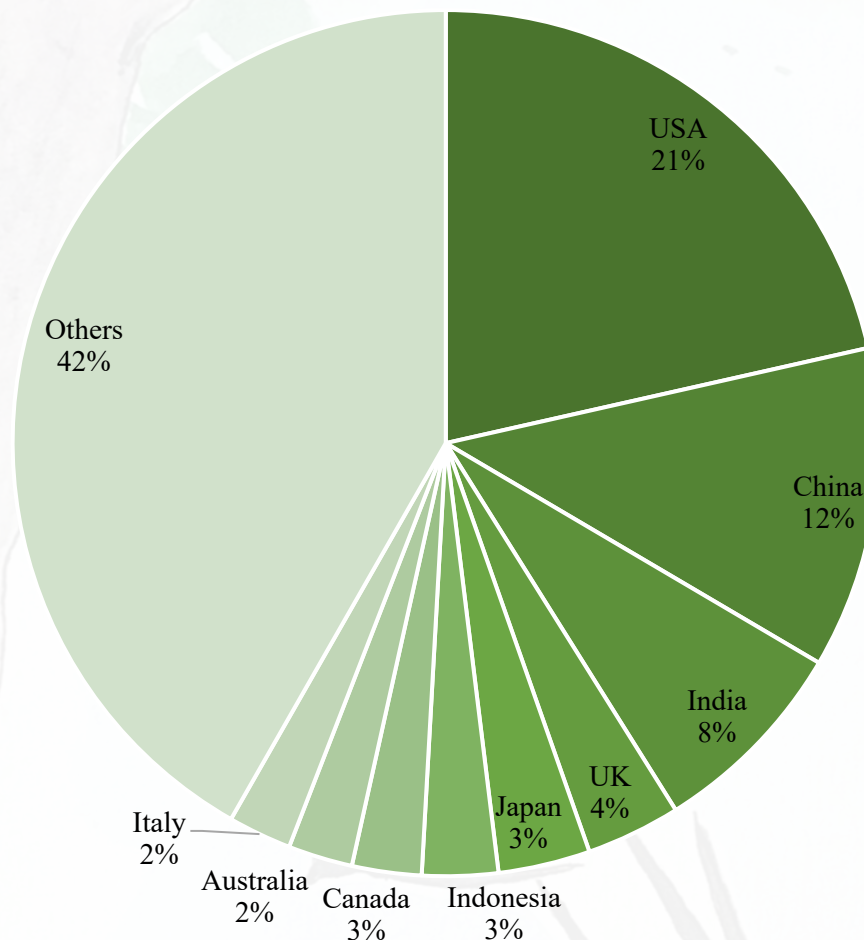
*Mediastinum* saw 140,665 pageviews in 2024, nearly double the 77,498 views recorded in 2023.

Data collected from Google Analytics on Jan 2, 2025



## 8. Website Users by Country in 2024

No.	Country	Users
1	USA	10,454
2	China	5,842
3	India	3,710
4	UK	1,719
5	Japan	1,671
6	Indonesia	1,381
7	Canada	1,263
8	Australia	1,173
9	Italy	1,154
	Others	20,322



- Totally 48,689 website users from 192 countries/regions were identified in 2024.
- USA was the most represented country with 21% of the total users.

Data collected from Google Analytics on Jan 2, 2025



## 9. Most Read Articles Published in 2024 (Top 10)

No.	Article Type	Article Title	Corresponding Author	Views
1	Review Article	<a href="#">Pneumomediastinum and pneumothorax in acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS) patients: a narrative review</a>	Amos Lal (Mayo Clinic, USA)	3131
2	Review Article	<a href="#">A clinical review of spontaneous pneumomediastinum</a>	Cynthia J. Susai (University of California, USA)	2270
3	Review Article	<a href="#">Proposal for a standardized methodology for performing endobronchial ultrasound-guided mediastinal cryobiopsy: a four-step approach</a>	Miguel Angel Ariza Prota (Hospital Universitario Central de Asturias, Spain)	2109
4	Review Article	<a href="#">Update on thymic epithelial tumors: a narrative review</a>	Luis Cabezón-Gutiérrez (Torrejón University Hospital, Spain)	1713
5	Review Article	<a href="#">Endobronchial ultrasound-guided transbronchial mediastinal cryobiopsy: a narrative review</a>	Masahide Oki (National Hospital Organization Nagoya Medical Center, Japan)	1504
6	Review Article	<a href="#">Superior vena cava obstruction and cardiovascular implantable electronic devices—a new era of leadless devices</a>	Tomoyuki Kabutoya (Jichi Medical University School of Medicine, Japan)	1387
7	Review Article	<a href="#">Perioperative management and postoperative outcomes of locally advanced thymic epithelial tumors: a narrative review</a>	Masaru Takenaka (University of Occupational and Environmental Health, Japan)	1297
8	Case Series	<a href="#">Descending necrotizing mediastinitis: key points to reduce the high associated mortality in a consecutive case series</a>	María del Prado Venegas Pizarro (Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau, Spain)	1294
9	Review Article	<a href="#">Surgical treatment of thymic epithelial tumors: a narrative review</a>	Apostolos C. Agrafiotis (Antwerp University Hospital, Belgium)	1294
10	Review Article	<a href="#">The jugular-subclavian junction and venous drainage of the brain</a>	Anupama Singh (Brigham and Women’s Hospital, USA)	1278

Data collected from the journal website on Jan 2, 2025: [Most Read Articles](#)

## 10. Special Series (Published)

### (1) [The Series Dedicated to the 13th International Thymic Malignancy Interest Group Annual Meeting \(ITMIG 2023\)](#)

Guest Editors:

- \* Malgorzata Szolkowska (Pathologist, Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Poland)
- \* Chul Kim (Oncologist, Georgetown University, USA)
- \* Mohammad Ashraghi (Neurologist, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, UK)
- \* Claudio Silva (Radiologist, Universidad del Desarrollo, Chile)



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## 10. Special Series (Published)

### (2) [Locally Advanced Thymic Epithelial Tumors](#)

Guest Editor: Masatsugu Hamaji, MD, PhD (Nara Medical University, Japan)



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## 11. Special Series (Ongoing)

Special Series Dedicated to ITMIG 2024 - Tentative Topics and Authors

No.	Leading Author	Topic
1	Alexander Marx (Göttingen, Germany)	Pathology
2	Arun Rajan (Bethesda, MD, USA)	Immune Aberrations in Thymic Epithelial Tumors
3	Tatsusada Okuno (Osaka, Japan)	Neurology - Paraneoplastic Autoimmune Diseases
4	Yosuke Yamada (Kyoto, Japan)	Pathology and Molecular Profiles
5	Ritsuko Komaki (Houston, TX, USA)	Radiation Oncology: Is Post-operative Radiotherapy Different?
6	Sakashi Fujimori; Yosuke Hamada (Tokyo, Japan)	Novel Strategies in Surgery: New Techniques in Phrenic Nerve Reconstruction
7	Andreas Rimner (Freiburg, Germany)	Novel Strategies in Radiation Therapy: High-dose Radiotherapy for Oligometastatic/Oligo-progressive Disease
8	Magdalena Knetki-Wroblewska (Warsaw, Poland)	Novel Strategies in Medical Oncology: Neoadjuvant and Adjuvant Approaches to Thymic Tumors
9	Patricia Sikorski (Washington, DC, USA)	Basic Science Lecture: Thymic Hyperplasia in Myasthenia Gravis
10	Dirk Van Raemdonck (Leuven, Belgium)	When Why and How to Biopsy Mediastinal Masses?
11	Andre Moreira (New York, NY, USA)	Pathology: This or that? How Do We Know?
12	Margaret Ottaviano (Naples, Italy)	Oncology: How Do We Treat (SMARCA4-DUT/Thymic Carcinoids)?
13	Giye Choe (Oakland, CA, USA)	Surveillance trends after resection for thymic malignancy
14	Paolo Mendogni (Milan, Italy)	Case Presentation with Audience Participation
15	Rohan Maniar (Indianapolis, IN, USA)	Oncologic Strategies and Options
16	Annemarie Fernandes Shepherd (New York, NY, USA)	Radiation Therapy Strategies and Options
17	Asato Hashinokuchi (Fukuoka, Japan)	Impact of size of primary tumor on survival in thymic epithelial tumor
18	Jan von der Thüsen (Rotterdam, The Netherlands)	Innovations in Pathology: Artificial Intelligence
19	Carlos S. Pinto (Porto, Portugal)	iMDT - Case 1. Late multiple extra-thoracic metastasis from thymoma biopsy seeding: a case report
20	Mateusz Polaczek (Warsaw, Poland)	iMDT - Case 2



## 12. Interviews with Editorial Board Members (2024)

To share Editorial Board Members' unique career experiences and perspectives, explore emerging trends, and gather insights to enhance the journal's impact and operations

### Editorial Board Members

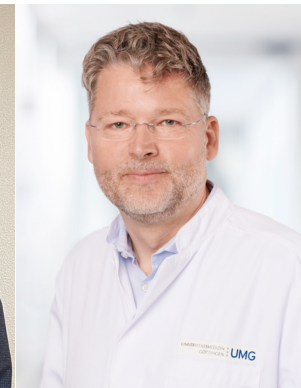
Masatsugu Hamaji, Nara Medical University, Japan

Philipp Ströbel, University of Göttingen, Germany

Erik R. de Loos, Zuyderland Medical Center, The Netherlands



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### 13. Interviews with Outstanding Authors (2024)

To highlight some of our outstanding authors with a brief interview of their unique perspective and insightful view as authors

#### Outstanding Author

John Young, Brigham and Women's Hospital, USA

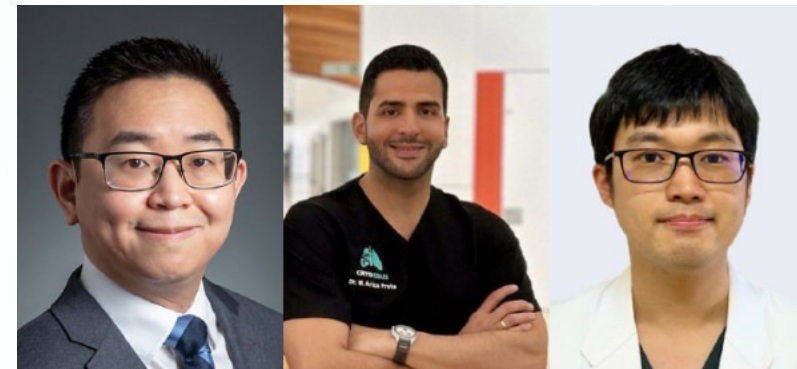
Miguel Ariza Prota, Hospital Universitario Central de Asturias, Spain

Kengo Tani, Hirosaki University, Japan

Waqar Waheed, University of Vermont, USA

Sho Koyasu, Kyoto University Hospital, Japan

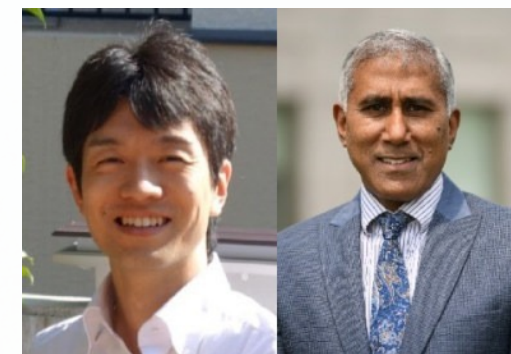
Noriko Kishi, Kyoto University Hospital, Japan



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## 14. Reviewer of the Month (2024)

To highlight some of our outstanding reviewers, with a brief interview of their thoughts and insights as a reviewer

Month	Outstanding Reviewer
January 2024	Luca Bertolaccini, IEO European Institute of Oncology IRCCS, Italy
July 2024	Yongfeng He, Cornell University, USA
August 2024	Renata Langfort, National Institute of Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases, Poland
September 2024	Pedro Soler Coltro, University of São Paulo, Brazil
October 2024	Simant Singh Thapa, Indiana University Health Ball Memorial Hospital, USA
November 2024	Marcello Migliore, University of Catania, Italy



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## 15. Cooperation with ITMIG (2024)

- [Official Journal of ITMIG](#)

Mediastinum has become the official journal of ITMIG since 2024.

- [Annual Meeting of ITMIG](#)

The editorial team attended the 2024 Annual Meeting of ITMIG held in October in Yokohama, Japan and met the experts there.

- [ITMIG Publications](#)

Continuing our tradition from past years, Mediastinum will publish a special series and an abstract book for ITMIG 2024, which will be included in the section of ITMIG Publications.





## 16. Introduction to AME Publishing Company

Our Publisher:

AME Publishing Company

<http://www.amegroups.com/>

- Established in 2009
- Registered in Hong Kong
- 10 offices around the world
  
- 60+ peer-reviewed journals  
34 indexed in Web of Science (SCIE/ESCI)  
21 indexed in PubMed/PMC/MEDLINE
  
- 200+ Medical Books  
80+ Medical Books in English  
120+ Medical Books in Chinese  
150+ Electronic Editions