



VATS Annual Report (2020)

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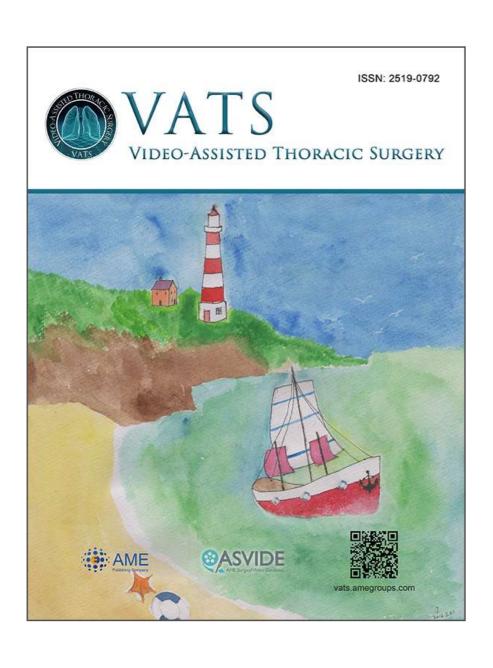
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1. Basic Information

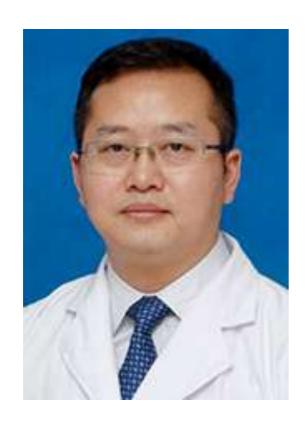


- The 1st English journal dedicated to VATS in international community
- Launched in May 2016
- Indexed in ESCI in December 2018
- International, Peer-Reviewed, Open-Access
- The VATS journal will serve as a dedicated place where key questions in the field of VATS surgery may be answered by publishing flexible and diverse article genres in a fast electronic publication mode.
- Technical questions will easily be addressed because of its ability to publish videos.





2. Editors-in-Chief



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On behalf of the VATS editorial team, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the Editorial Board Members, Guest Editors, Section Editors, Authors, Reviewers and Readers who have contributed to and supported VATS since its birth. In the new year, we warmly welcome more excellent surgeons and researchers to join us to make VATS an innovative and significant platform for the field.

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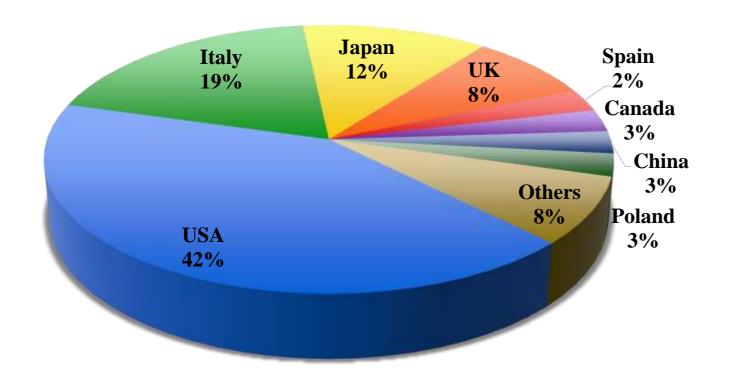
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3. Geographical Distribution of VATS Editorial Board Members



A total of 74 Members

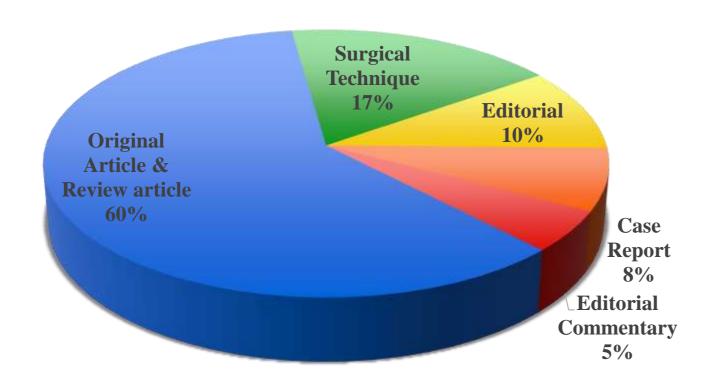
- 2 Editors-in-Chief
- 3 Associate Editors-in-Chief
- 69 Editorial Board Members with 22 members joining in 2020

Note: Others include France, Germany, Greece, Brazil, Korea and Switzerland.





4. Diverse Types of Published Articles in 2020

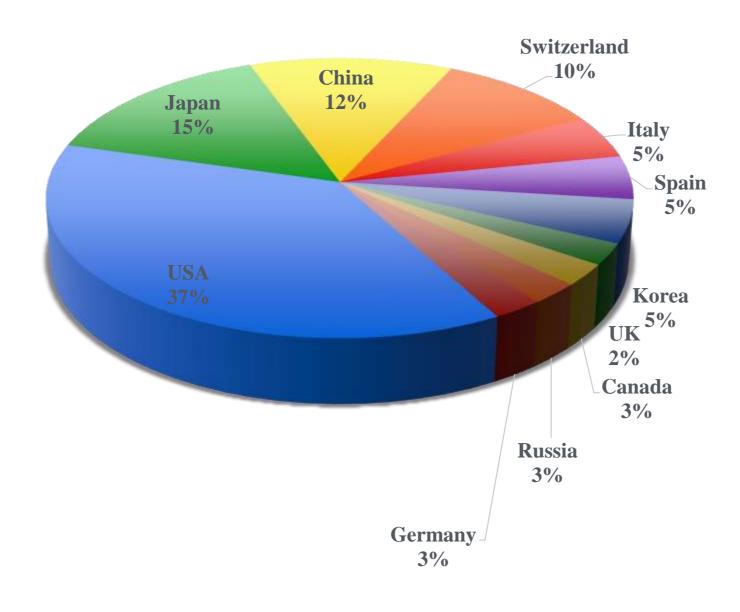


VATS altogether has published 229 articles since its launch in 2016 and 40 were published in 2020 with diverse article types.





5. International Diversity of Corresponding Authors

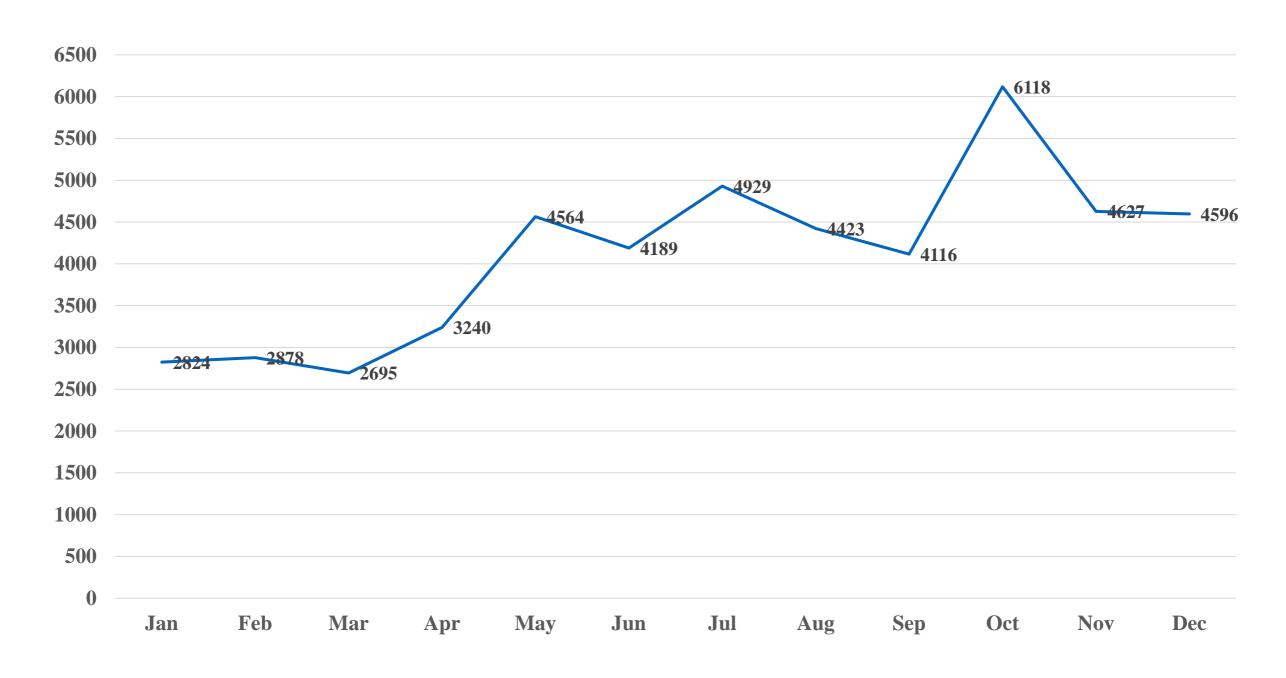


Corresponding authors of the 40 articles published in 2020 come from different countries and areas with the majority from USA, Japan, China and Switzerland.





6. Page Views of the Website (2020)

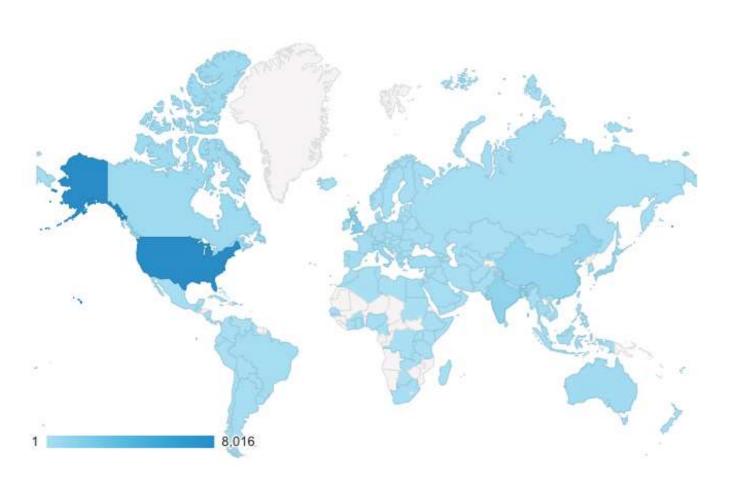


Note: Data were collected from Google Analytics on Dec. 31, 2020.





7. Website Visits in 2020



Country			Users	% Users
1.		United States	8,016	40.48%
2.	212	United Kingdom	1,566	7.91%
3.	=	India	1,234	6.23%
4.		China	971	4.90%
5.	•	Japan	739	3.73%
6.		Italy	611	3.09%
7.	6	Canada	535	2.70%

All together 19,642 visitors. Readers who visited VATS website in 2020 were from diverse countries and regions, with the majority from USA, followed by UK, India and China. Other countries include Japan, Italy, Canada, Australia and South Korea etc.

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8. Published Special Series and Guest Editors (2020)

Special Series Robotic Surgery for Lung Cancer



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Special Series Uniportal VATS Segmentectomy



Hitoshi Igai, MD, PhD

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Special Series

VATS: Primary Spontaneous Pneumothorax



Jin-Shing Chen, MD, PhD

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National Taiwan University Hospital, Taipei,
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Special Series

Robotic VS Uniportal VATS



Kazuo Yoshida, MD, PhD
General Manager of Endoscopic Surgery
Center; Director of Department of Thoracic
Surgery, Suwa Red Cross Hospital, Suwa, Japan





Special Series

Robotic Segmentectomies



Alper Toker, MD

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Vascular Institute, Morgantown, USA





Special Series

Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy for Esophageal Carcinoma



Robert E. Merritt, MD

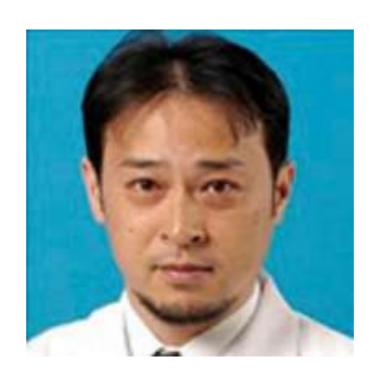
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Special Series

Oncological Clearance of VATS Lobectomy for Clinical N0 Non-small Cell Lung Cancer



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Cancer Institute Hospital of Japanese
Foundation for Cancer Research, Tokyo, Japan





Special Series

VATS in Lung Metastasectomy



Marcello Migliore, MD, PhD, FETCS
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University of Catania, Policlinic University
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Michel Gonzalez, MD
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Special Series

Non-Intubated Thoracic Surgery. A Global Perspective



Francesco Guerrera, MDDepartment of Thoracic Surgery,
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Paolo Albino Ferrari, MD
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Azienda Ospedaliera Brotzu, Cagliari, Italy



Roberto Crisci, MD

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"G. Mazzini" Hospital, Teramo, Italy





Special Series

Paraesophageal Hiatal Hernia Repairs, Transthoracic, Transabdominal, Laparoscopic, or Robotic, Which Method is Best



Rishindra M. Reddy, MD

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10. Introduction of the Publisher AME

Our Publisher— **AME Publishing Company**www.amegroups.com

- Established in 2009
- Registered in Hong Kong
- 10 offices around the world
- 60+ peer-reviewed journals
- 13 indexed in SCIE
- 18 indexed in PubMed/PMC/MEDLINE
- 200+ Medical Books
- 80+ Medical Books in English
- 120+ Medical Books in Chinese
- 150+ Electronic Editions







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