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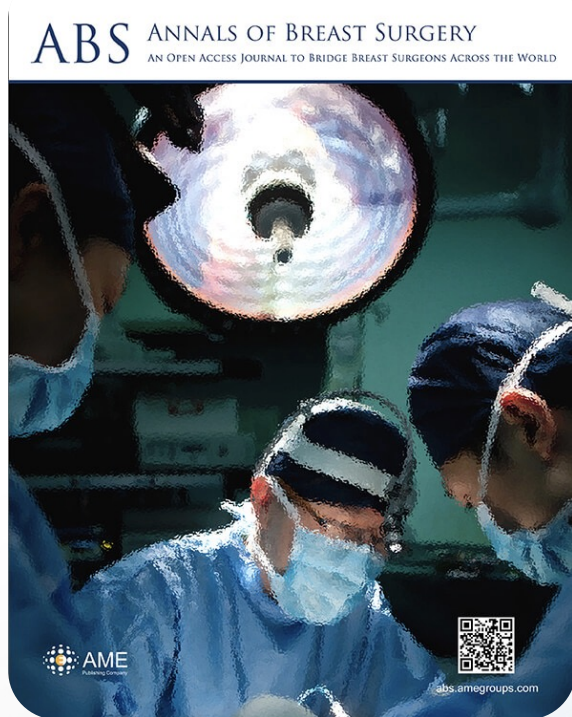
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1. General Information



- Open-access
- Peer-reviewed
- Electronic journal
- Launched in August 2017
- Online ISSN: 2616-2776
- Member of Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)

ABS provides current and practical information on prevention, diagnosis, and clinical investigations of breast diseases, which focuses on cutting-edge findings in the field of breast surgery.

2. Honorary Editor-in-Chief & Editor-in-Chief



Honorary Editor-in-Chief

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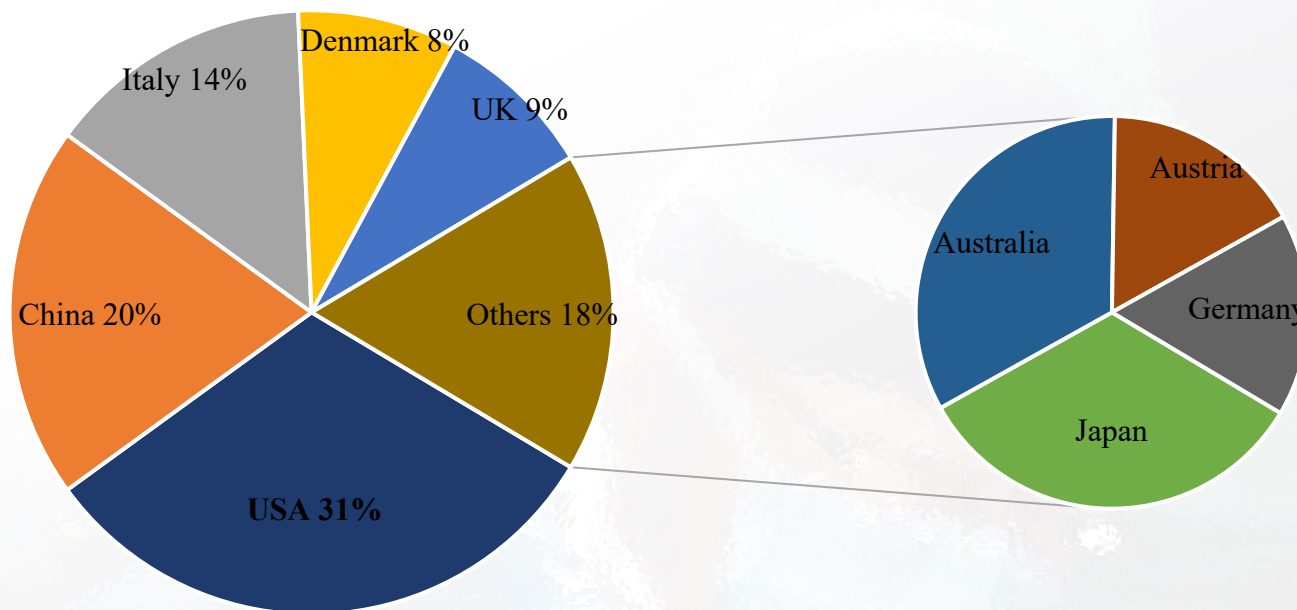


Editor-in-Chief

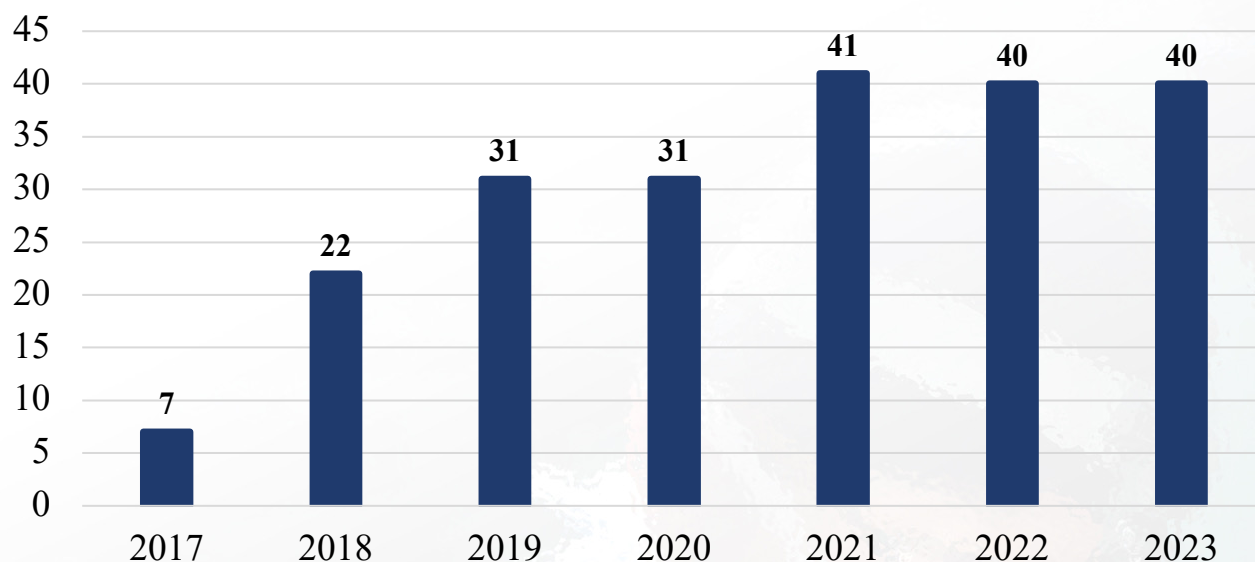
Jiong Wu, MD, PhD
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3. Distribution of Editorial Board Members

35 current editorial board members come from **9** countries, among who there are **31%** from the **USA**, followed by **China**, **Italy**, **Denmark** and the **UK**.



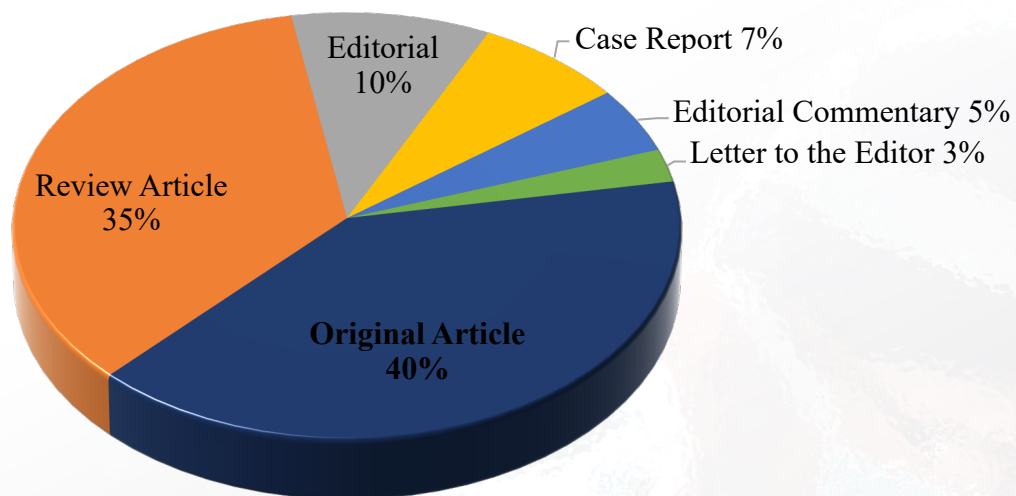
4. Number of Published Articles by Year



Number of published articles each year presents a stable tendency with 2023 reaching to 40 pieces in total.

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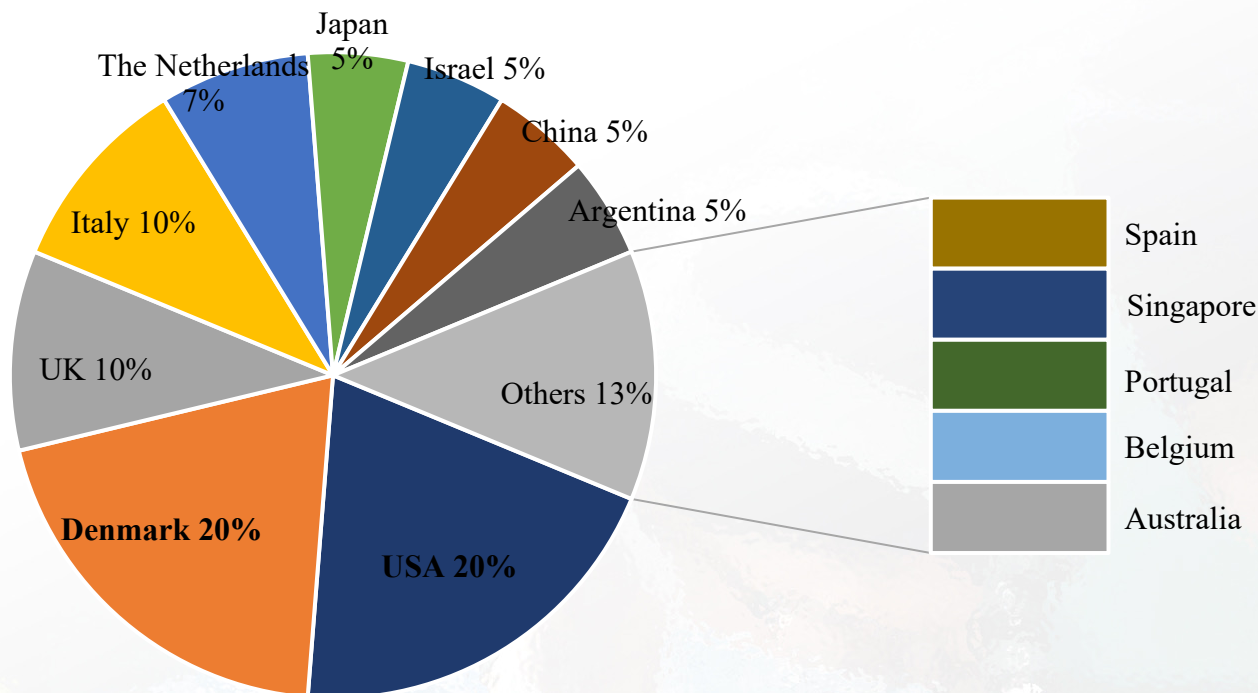
5. Diverse Types of Articles Published in 2023



ABS published 40 articles in 2023, among which there were 16 Original Articles, 14 Review Articles, 4 Editorials, 3 Case Reports, 2 Editorial Commentaries, 1 Letter to the Editor.

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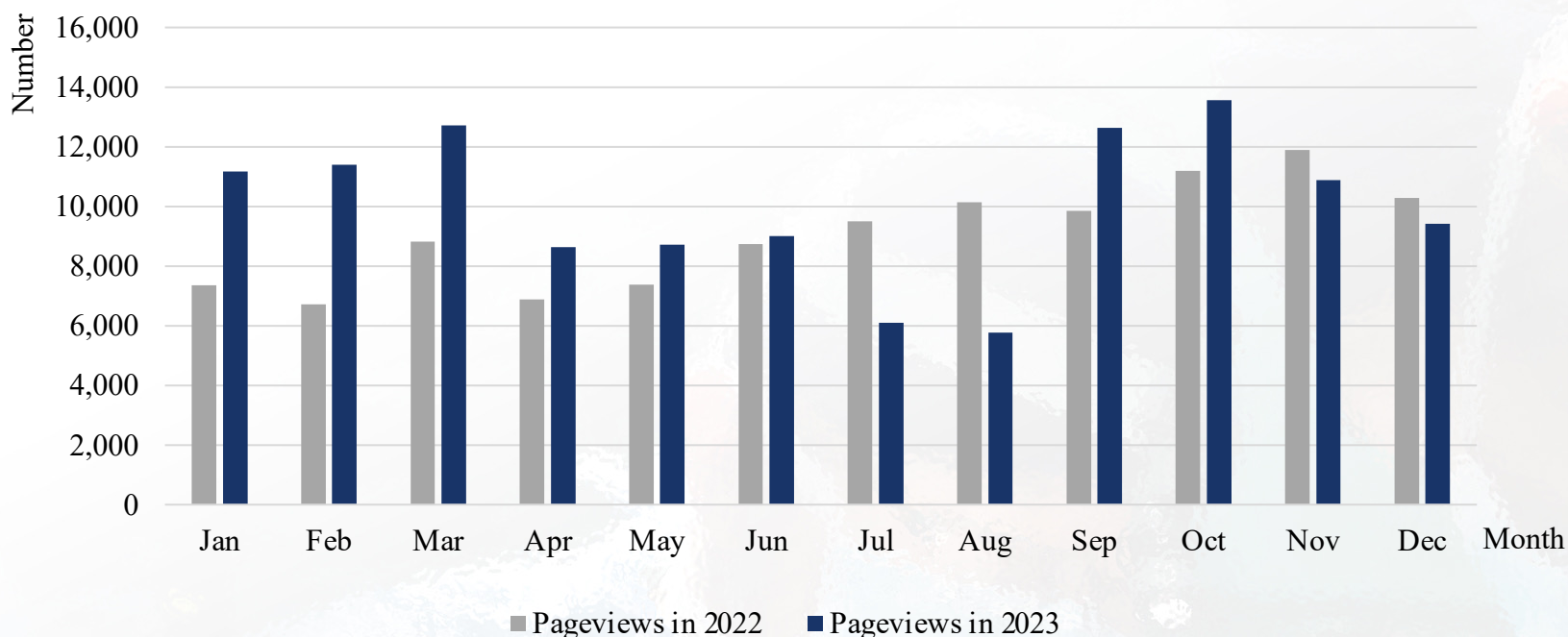
6. Diversity of Corresponding Authors in 2023



In 2023, corresponding authors of 40 articles published in ABS come from 14 countries, most of whom come from the USA, Denmark, the UK and Italy.

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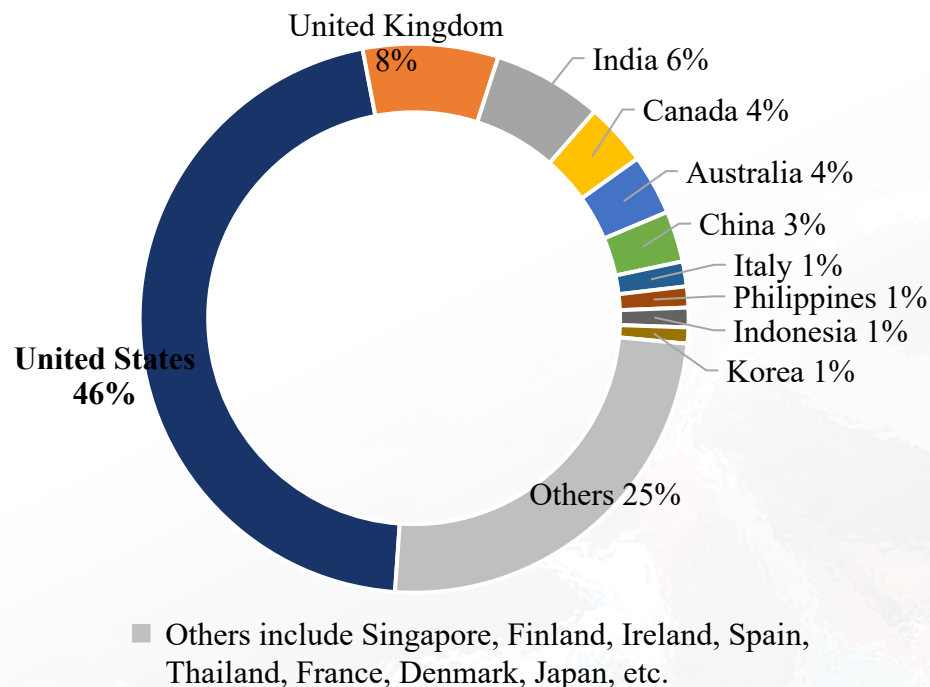
7. Pageviews from Google Analytics between 2022 and 2023



Pageviews of ABS from Google Analytics in 2023 reached 119,979 in total. Especially, it reaches its highest point in October with 13,563.

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8. Website Visits in 2023



Country	Users
United States	29,649
United Kingdom	5,153
India	4,175
Canada	2,393
Australia	2,297
China	1,940
Italy	946
Philippines	799
Indonesia	746
Korea	614

All together 64,626 visitors. Readers who visited ABS website were from diverse countries, with the majority from the USA, followed by the UK, India, Canada, Australia and China.

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9. Top Ten Most Read Articles in 2023

Title	Corresponding Author	Country	Pageviews
Is it breast cancer? —common dermatologic disorders found on the breast	Alyssa D. Throckmorton	USA	7,054
Pseudoangiomatous stromal hyperplasia: overview and clinical management	Megan E. Miller	USA	3,576
Workup and treatment of nipple discharge—a practical review	Shawna C. Willey	USA	3,063
Diagnosis and management of phyllodes tumors of the breast	Ashley Simpson	USA	3,000
The surgeon’s guide to fibroadenomas	Katherine Kopkash	USA	2,925

*The data were collected from Google Analytics from January 1st, 2023 to December 31st, 2023.

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Abscess/infections/periareolar mastitis	Katharine Yao	USA	1,879
Clinical management of radial scar without atypia diagnosed on core needle biopsy	Nora T. Jaskowiak	USA	1,855
Encapsulated chronic recurrent seroma following modified radical mastectomy: surgical resection and reconstruction by muscle-sparing latissimus dorsi flap—a case report and review of literature	Guirgis A. Awad	UK	1,747
Multi-stage fat grafting for total breast reconstruction after mastectomy	Jonathan S. Lam	USA	1,429
Current imaging techniques and impact on diagnosis and survival —a narrative review	Petra Steyerova	Czech Republic	1,346

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10. Special Series Published in 2023

① *Cutting-edge Surgical Research*

GUEST EDITOR



MASAKAZU TOI





Scan to read the
articles in this series

10. Special Series Published in 2023

② *Breast Reconstruction - The True Multidisciplinary Approach*



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10. Special Series Published in 2023

③ *New Perspectives in Breast Reconstruction*

GUEST EDITORS



NICOLA ROCCO; GIUSEPPE CATANUTO; GIACOMO MONTAGNA



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10. Special Series Published in 2023

④ *Diagnosis and Treatment on Primary Breast Cancer in Older Women*

GUEST EDITOR



KWOK-LEUNG CHEUNG





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11. Ongoing Special Series

① *Breast Cancer-related Lymphedema*



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series outline

12. Interviews with Outstanding Authors (2023)

In 2023, many authors bring new findings, practical information on the diagnosis and treatment of conditions related to breast diseases to our journal. Their articles published with us have received very well feedback in the field and stimulate a lot of discussions and new insights among the peers.

Hereby, 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 perspectives and insightful views as authors.

Outstanding Authors (2023)

B. Bersu Ozcan, Department of Radiology, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, USA

Ray Ka Wai Hung, Department of Surgery, North District Hospital, Hong Kong, China

Masahiro Sugimoto, Keio University, Japan

Emanuela Esposito, National Cancer Institute of Naples "Fondazione Pascale", Italy

Anne Herman Mosebo & Karen-Lise Madsen, Odense University Hospital, Denmark

Eduardo G. González, Instituto de Oncología "Ángel H. Roffo" Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina

Elisabeth Lauritzen, Copenhagen University Hospital, Denmark

Assaf A. Zeltzer, Rambam Health Care Campus, Israel

Karan Grover, Case Western Reserve University, USA

Christian Bonde, Holte Plastikkirurgi, Denmark

B. Bersu Ozcan



B. Bersu Ozcan, MD, is a Research Fellow at Breast Imaging Division at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, the US. Dr. Ozcan received her medical degree from Hacettepe University, Turkey, in June 2021. She moved to the US in December 2021 to pursue her research career in Diagnostic Radiology. She was involved in pre-clinical laboratory research during her medical education and performed visiting internship rotations in Georgetown and Harvard University. She has presented multiple studies in national and international conferences. Currently, she is actively leading a machine learning pipeline in the breast imaging division. Her current research interests include optocoaxial imaging, cost-effectiveness analysis, breast cancer disparity research, and assessing reagent/antibody chemotherapy response in breast cancer patients. Connect with Dr. Ozcan on [Twitter](#) or [LinkedIn](#).

Dr. Ozcan thinks academic writing plays a pivotal role in the field of science, as it serves as a means for researchers to share their findings and effectively communicate their ideas to both fellow scientists and the broader public. This crucial process not only contributes to the development of medical knowledge and practice but also fosters research transparency, accountability, and accuracy. Furthermore, when an individual engages in academic writing, he or she has the opportunity to learn from existing studies and research related to their work.

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Anne Herman Mosebo & Karen-Lise Madsen



Dr. Anne Herman Mosebo and Dr. Karen-Lise Madsen graduated from the University of Southern Denmark in 2021 and 2022, respectively. They conducted their master's thesis at the Department of Plastic Surgery, Odense University Hospital, Denmark in 2020. After further processing, the thesis was published in *Annals of Breast Surgery* earlier this year. Their main research area is aspects of breast surgery, especially regarding Paget's Disease of the Nipple (PD). Dr. Mosebo is currently working on a retrospective study regarding the diagnostic accuracy of Paget's Disease of the Nipple (PD).

When asked about the importance of academic writing, Dr. Anne Herman Mosebo and Dr. Karen-Lise Madsen emphasized the role of academic writing in the field of science. They stated that academic writing is a crucial process for researchers to share their findings and effectively communicate their ideas to both fellow scientists and the broader public. This crucial process not only contributes to the development of medical knowledge and practice but also fosters research transparency, accountability, and accuracy. Furthermore, when an individual engages in academic writing, he or she has the opportunity to learn from existing studies and research related to their work.

Armin Edalatpour



Armin Edalatpour, MD, MS, MChD, FRCO, joined University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center in 2021 as Section Chief of Breast Surgery in the Division of Surgical Oncology and the Department of Surgery. He is also the Co-Chief of the Breast Cancer Program for UH Seidman Cancer Center and the breast program director for the NCCIH accreditation. He is the inaugural recipient of the Henry and Donald Kelly Breast Cancer Clinician in Breast Health. Dr. Armin is board certified in general surgery and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the Society of Surgical Oncology. He belongs to other societies including the American College of Surgeons, Society of Surgical Oncology, American Society of Breast Surgeons, Association for Academic Surgery, Society of University Surgeons, Central Surgical Association, and Association of Breast Surgeons. Dr. Armin is dedicated to improving patient and developing new therapies for the management of high-risk and complex breast disease through pioneering research. She is particularly interested in opportunities for the evaluation of surgical interventions for physical breast hypertrophy (ABH) and breast carcinoma in situ (BCIS). She has published research findings in *Breast Cancer Research and Treatment*, *Annals of Surgical Oncology*, *Surgery*, *Annals of Breast Surgery* and *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*, among other major medical journals. In addition, she has contributed chapters to textbooks on high-risk breast disease and served as a frequent reviewer for multiple high-impact medical journals. Connect with Dr. Armin on [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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Dr. Sugimoto on [Twitter](#) @mshrsgmt and [LinkedIn](#). A list of his published work can be found on [ResearchGate](#).

Talking about the significance of academic writing, Dr. Sugimoto believes that writing research articles is included as an essential part of the research activity. In his opinion, review comments from academic experts are quite variable which can effectively improve the quality of a manuscript. In addition, he highlighted the importance of Conflict of Interest (COI) disclosure, for COI discloses the possible bias in research.

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13. Reviewer of the Month (2023)

In 2023, ABS 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.

Hereby, we would like to highlight some of our outstanding reviewers, with a brief interview of their thoughts and insights as a reviewer. Allow us to express our heartfelt gratitude for their tremendous effort and valuable contributions to the scientific process.

Armin Edalatpour



Dr. Armin Edalatpour currently serves as a Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery resident at the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics. His research is mainly focused on patient outcomes as well as postoperative pain control. Prior and ongoing research projects include pain control after breast reconstruction, optimizing pain control after breast surgery, and the use of other pain control modalities such as CBD in reducing pain.

Dr. Edalatpour on Instagram (@arminaps) or Twitter (@arminaps)

As the number of predatory journals continues to rise, Dr. Edalatpour has become increasingly important. As several publications have become available online in order to get medical information. Non-peer reviewed articles where false information can easily be disseminated. The peer review process is essential to ensure the quality of scientific work by others in the field, therefore, ensuring veracity and reliability.

In peer review, Dr. Edalatpour reckons that constructive review of a manuscript and gives suggestions and avenues to help improve the manuscript without providing constructive feedback is malpractice.

Dr. Edalatpour thanks all the reviewers for volunteering their time and helping science move forward.

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Amanda L. Amin, MD, MS, FACS, FSSO, joined University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center in 2021 as Section Chief of Breast Surgery in the Division of Surgical Oncology and the Department of Surgery. Her other roles are Co-Director of the Breast Cancer Program for UH Seidman Cancer Center and the breast program director for the NAPBC accreditation. She is the inaugural recipient of the Nancy and Donald Malby Master Clinician in Breast Health. Dr. Amin is board certified in general surgery and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the Society of Surgical Oncology. She belongs to multiple societies including the American College of Surgeons, Society of Surgical Oncology, American Society of Breast Surgeons, Association for Academic Surgery, Society of University Surgeons, Central Surgical Association, and Association of Women Surgeons. Dr. Amin is dedicated to improving existing and developing new therapies for the management of high-risk and malignant breast disease through pioneering research. She is particularly interested in opportunities for de-escalation of surgical intervention for atypical ductal hyperplasia (ADH) and ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS). She has published research findings in *Breast Cancer Research and Treatment*, *Annals of Surgical Oncology*, *Surgery*, *Annals of Breast Surgery* and *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*, among other major medical journals. In addition, she has contributed chapters to textbooks on high-risk breast disease and served as a manuscript reviewer for multiple high-impact medical journals. Connect with Dr. Amin on Twitter @amandaaminmd.

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Dr. Amin reckons that peer review is vital to the scientific community. This is an unbiased analysis of project by a person that has some medical knowledge on the subject. Good peer review makes the project stronger by bringing in new perspectives and clarity that authors may sometimes miss being so close to the subject content.

In Dr. Amin's opinion, a constructive review highlights how the new project adds to the literature. It encourages authors to bring new or different perspectives when appropriate to provide clarity to the readership. Destructive review can be a biased assessment where the reviewer pushes their agenda, highlighting the negative aspects of a project in a critical or derogatory way.

"Disclosing Conflict of Interest is crucial to the integrity of the research we do. If authors have a financial interest in the success of the project, even more attention should be paid to the scientific validity of the outcomes to ensure safety and applicability to the target population," says Dr. Amin.

14. Introduction of the Publisher AME

Meet our Publisher:

AME Publishing Company

- Established in 2009
- Registered in Hong Kong
- 10 offices around the world

- **60+** peer-reviewed journals
 - **19** indexed in SCIE/SCIE
 - **20** indexed in PubMed/PMC/MEDLINE

- **200+** Medical Books
 - **80+** Medical Books in English
 - **120+** Medical Books in Chinese

- **150+** Electronic Editions