

# SKIN

The Journal of Cutaneous Medicine™

## Why Publish this Special Issue?

A New Paradigm in the Use of Technology to Aid in the Widespread  
Dissemination of Dermatologic Knowledge

We have all been there...putting in hours of work into a clinical research poster presented at a major academic conference, only to have the information within lost forever following the conclusion of the meeting.

At **SKIN: The Journal of Cutaneous Medicine™**, we understand the importance of preserving and disseminating such vital information. Research efforts aside, the loss of knowledge to the Dermatology community that occurs each time a poster is discarded goes against the spirit of broad-based knowledge dissemination and academic pursuit.

While publication expenses and space limitations have limited the ability to distribute scientific posters through traditional print venues, we at **SKIN** see the great potential in using an online platform to make free open access to poster presentations beyond those who attend a conference a possibility. In the interest of applying technology to education and to meet this challenge, we are proud to introduce our first supplemental issue.

In this issue of **SKIN**, you will find **138 scientific posters presented at the 2017 Fall Clinical Dermatology Conference®** in Las Vegas, NV, from October 12-15, 2017, grouped by topic. We hope that making this knowledge easily available to you will facilitate expedited dissemination into clinical practice where appropriate.

The Editors of **SKIN** hope that you will find the information presented to be informative and useful and look forward to your thoughts and ideas of how we can continue to make **SKIN** optimize its value to you.

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