



EDITORIAL

This tenth issue marks five years since JOSIS's first issue in mid-2010. The three research articles in issue 10 bring the total number of published research articles to 41. (While this issue is below our average of four articles per issue, there are eight articles currently under review for upcoming issues). As a result, JOSIS remains a small journal, but in part because it is a selective one—our acceptance rate is currently just under 29% of submitted articles (41 articles accepted out of a total of 134 submissions).

However, smaller size does not preclude a growing impact. It was with enormous pleasure that we were able to announce in July 2014 that JOSIS had been accepted into the Scopus journal listing (<http://elsevier.com/solutions/scopus>). Achieving Scopus listing has been a major focus of our activities and strategic plans over recent years, and was a most significant day in the journal's history. Scopus listing reflects not only on the journal's quality, but also on its prestige, with such listings increasingly important in citations, submissions, and measuring academic output. In its decision to list the journal, the Scopus Content Selection & Advisory Board (CSAB) commented that JOSIS "publishes excellent content relevant to its field."

Looking through the citations to JOSIS articles listed on Scopus reveals more about the growing impact of JOSIS. There are more than 300 citations to JOSIS articles listed on Scopus. Because Scopus only lists articles in outlets that have been accepted by the Scopus CSAB, this number is naturally significant lower than the 500 or so citations to JOSIS articles listed on Google Scholar. As one might expect, the number of citations has grown year on year since the journal's inaugural issue, up to more than 100 citations in 2014.

It is also interesting to see that these citations come from articles in a wide variety of journals, including many well-known and prestigious scientific journals in other disciplines, such as *Science*, *PlosOne*, *Landscape Ecology*, *Artificial Intelligence*, *Language Sciences*, *Remote Sensing of the Environment*, *Environment and Planning B*, *Semantic Web*, *Transportation Research Part C*, *Personal and Ubiquitous Computing*, *Information Retrieval*, *Planetary and Space Science*, *Annals of the AAG*, and *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*. As one would expect there are also many citations to JOSIS articles from articles published in other journals in the field, including the *International Journal of Geographical Information Science*, *Transactions in GIS*, *Geoinformatica*, *Computers, Environment and Urban Systems*, *Spatial Cognition and Computation*, *Cartography and Geographic information Science*, *Cartographic Journal*, and so on.

Looking forward to the next 10 issues, we hope to grow a little more in size, but expect to grow a lot more in impact!

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