

EDITORIAL

Dear Readers,

I am delighted to announce the first issue of the *Journal of Sustainable Dermatology in Practice* (JSDP). On behalf of the JSDP editorial board, I would like to extend a warm welcome to readers, authors, reviewers, publishers and sponsors of JSDP.

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In this inaugural issue of JSDP, I have written a commentary paper discussing the practical strategies for delivering a dermatology service at individual, practitioner, service and corporate levels. Zhao conducted an interview-based study with seven dermatology clinicians and explored their preparedness, perceived barriers and facilitators to engage with sustainable skin surgery. I highly recommend you to read the paper by Choi, who conducted a questionnaire-based study involving 11 dermatology staff at one institute and reported on their level of awareness of the British Society for Dermatological Surgery 2022 sustainable guidance, their skin surgery practices and skin surgery waste recycling rate. Staff from the dermatology department at the South Warwickshire University NHS Foundation Trust, with support from the Centre for Sustainable Healthcare, reported on their sustainability quality improvement project on curette and cautery and explored potential social, carbon, financial and patient outcome changes by transitioning to a new leaner curette and cautery skin surgery pathway. Madhwapathi and Woodley investigated the level of packaging and labelling of recycling symbols in medicinal and cosmeceutical products. I would encourage you to read the letter by Blyth and Bevan reflecting upon the relationship between medical education and sustainable dermatology.

I am delighted to announce that Dr Choi has been awarded the inaugural JSDP prize for best publication.

I hope you will enjoy reading the JSDP.

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