

Editorial: 40th Anniversary of Tanzania Veterinary Journal

Tanzania Veterinary Journal (TVJ) is an official Journal of Tanzania Veterinary Association (TVA) founded in 1979 and originally known as Tanzania Veterinary Bulletin. The journal was renamed as Tanzania Veterinary Journal in 1991. The aim of the establishment of the Journal was to provide a platform where Veterinarians and allied Professionals working in the tropical environment can publish their works and that are relevant in solving problems in the tropics. At the time of its establishment in 1979, only few Veterinary Journals which focussed on animal and human health problems in the tropics existed. This explains why the Journal identified itself as “The Tropical Veterinarian”.

Today the Journal celebrates 40 years of existence and success of remaining focussed to its core objectives and scope that were the basis of its establishment amidst thousands of body of knowledge generated and published on different subjects. In addition, TVJ boast other successes including publication of 34 regular volumes, 36 special issues of TVA Proceedings, and today we are pleased to bring to you Volume 37: Special issue of TVA Proceedings (2019). The latest volume is even more special as it features some of the articles presented during the 37th TVA Conference which focussed on One Health.

Despite of the recorded success, there are number of areas where the Journal did not perform well in the last 40 years. For example it was until 2007 when the Journal started to publish online, the Journal featured in few international databases and it is only recent when the Journal started to use online manuscript processing platform, launched its own website and increased its presence in international databases. Nonetheless, it is good to note and commend the recent positive developments of the Journal.

It is expected that the current course will be maintained and in many years to come, Tanzania Veterinary Journal will continue to be among the few leading Veterinary Journal in Africa and the Tropics.

Editor