Moving towards synergy: The Korean Society of Pain & Autonomic Disorders is welcome!

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The Korean Society of Pain & Autonomic Disorders (KSPAD) has joined as a new member of Annals of Clinical Neurophysiology (ACN). From this issue onwards, ACN is an official journal of KSPAD, in addition to the Korean Society of Clinical Neurophysiology (KSCN).

The Journal of Pain and Autonomic Disorders, dedicated to fostering research and publishing scholarly reports in the field of pain and autonomic disorders, has been the official journal of KSPAD. Since 2012, when research in this field was in its infancy, the Journal of Pain and Autonomic Disorders has helped in the expansion of this field’s base and provided a foundation for academic development.

ACN is an international, peer-reviewed, open-access journal that covers all aspects of clinical neurophysiology and neuroscience. The Korean Journal of Clinical Neurophysiology was the official journal of KSCN from 1999; however, this was replaced by ACN in 2017. ACN (formerly the Korean Journal of Clinical Neurophysiology) has contributed to the development of clinical physiology in Korea, and is now making strenuous efforts to contribute internationally. Presently, ACN welcomes its newest member, KSPAD. Clinical neurophysiology is indispensable for clinical practice and research on pain and autonomic disorders. KSPAD has contributed to the development of research on pain and autonomic disorders in Korea; however, it is time to expand the role of KSPAD internationally to stimulate further developments in this field. In addition, a collaboration with KSPAD meets the ACN’s objective for disseminating academic work related to clinical neurophysiology and related fields,1 which are likely to show synergistic benefits.

There are many tests of autonomic function using clinical neurophysiology paradigms; therefore, many researchers publishing in KSPAD have utilized various tools in clinical neurophysiology. We hope that many excellent and insightful academic achievements will be presented to ACN in both fields from this day forward. In addition, high quality multi-center based collaborative studies or nationwide collection of data are positive options for future research with the members from both societies.

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In this view, ACN welcome their new partner, KSPAD. It is our belief that ACN and KSPAD will work together and create synergy.

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