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***JDS Communications* is now indexed in PubMed**

Inclusion in this national database makes journal's articles more easily accessible to researchers, may increase citations

Philadelphia, December 13, 2022 – [JDS Communications](#) is now being indexed by the national database PubMed. Editor-in-Chief Matt Lucy, PhD, stressed the significance of this development: “Indexing in PubMed is an important step for new journals and demonstrates the confidence that the US National Library of Medicine has in our journal, including its publishers, editors, editorial board, and authors.”

PubMed is a free resource maintained by the National Center for Biotechnology Information and the National Library of Medicine. The database indexes journals primarily in biomedicine and related life sciences fields and contains abstracts and citations, usually with links to the full text. Indexing improves the accessibility of an article by allowing researchers to search PubMed for a specific topic. This increase in visibility can lead to more citations for an article.

“Our authors’ work will be hosted along with 34 million other citations in PubMed, one of the largest searchable databases for biomedical literature,” said Lucy. “We anticipate that indexing in PubMed will increase the number of citations for articles published in *JDS Communications*. The increase in citation rate will drive our impact factor, which will bring more authors to our journal.”

Impact factor is a calculation of the average number of citations of articles published in a journal in the previous two years. A higher average number of citations increases the journal’s impact factor, which is generally perceived to be a measure of the relative importance of an academic journal.

There is a rigorous application process for PubMed indexing, and journals must meet a number of requirements before they are even eligible to apply. The journal must have published at least 25 peer-reviewed articles and must have an ISSN. In addition, publishers must have two years of scholarly publishing experience in the life sciences fields.

JDS Communications is an official journal of the American Dairy Science Association, published by FASS

Inc. and Elsevier since August 2020. The journal publishes original research studies designed to answer a specific question on the production or processing of milk or milk products intended for human consumption. *JDS Communications* is a sister publication to the *Journal of Dairy Science*, also published by the American Dairy Science Association. The *Journal of Dairy Science* is a Gold Open Access journal that publishes original research, invited review articles, and other scholarly works related to the production and processing of milk or milk products intended for human consumption.

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Notes for editors

About *JDS Communications*

An official journal of the American Dairy Science Association®, *JDS Communications* is an Open Access, peer-reviewed journal that publishes short, concise original research in the form of short communications, technical notes, mini-reviews, and other scholarly works that relate to the production and processing of milk or milk products, derived from farm animals, intended for human consumption. Research published in this journal is broadly divided into animal production, physiology, health, and genetics and dairy foods for human consumption. www.jdscommun.org

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