Mission
IGI Global is a proven, trusted, and reliable source for publishing and disseminating cutting-edge resources that fuel innovations and inspire positive societal changes. IGI Global strives to enhance the current body of scientific knowledge through close collaborations with researchers and scholars worldwide. Through a commitment to sound ethical practices, an agile publishing process, and customer-centric values, IGI Global accelerates the pace of research discoveries.

Vision
Our vision is to provide a viable and credible publishing experience for aspiring and prominent researchers who seek to expand the current body of scientific knowledge across diverse fields of study. IGI Global promotes forward-thinking discourse within the academic community by:

- Mandating a rigorous peer review while maintaining a high level of transparency throughout the entire publishing process
- Disseminating vetted scientific research rapidly and effectively to a worldwide audience
- Enabling the expansion and enhancement of emerging research within underrepresented research areas

Letter From the Managing Director
Over the last 30 years IGI Global has had the opportunity to work with some of the most forward-thinking experts in the field. We started out as a publishing house predominately focused on technology advancements and within the last several years we have evolved into an interdisciplinary publisher of innovative concepts in a multitude of underrepresented research areas.

The company was founded by an academician with a passion for research and scholarly innovation. We take pride in our ability to offer each and every researcher a one-to-one experience as they collaborate with our acquisitions, development, production, and marketing staff to take their publication from concept to print, achieving maximum reach and citation impact.

As an active member of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), we continue to be committed to the highest ethical standards, ensuring that each and every IGI Global publication that is released to the research community is properly vetted and of the highest quality.

Kind Regards,
Lindsay Wertman
Managing Director

Subject Coverage
- Business and Management
- Computer Science and Information Technology
- Education
- Engineering
- Environmental, Agricultural, and Physical Sciences
- Government and Law
- Library and Information Science
- Media and Communications
- Medical, Healthcare, and Life Sciences
- Security and Forensics
- Social Sciences and Humanities
About IGI Global

Headquartered in Hershey, Pennsylvania, IGI Global is a leading international academic publisher committed to facilitating the discovery of pioneering research that enhances and expands the body of knowledge available to the research community. Working in close collaboration with expert researchers and professionals worldwide, IGI Global disseminates vetted, quality content within 11 core subject areas. With more than 30 years of publishing experience, IGI Global boasts an ever-expanding portfolio of nearly 4,000 reference books, 175 highly-indexed journals, 100 video lectures, and a broad collection of InfoSci® online databases, hosting IGI Global’s entire collection of advanced e-books, e-journals, and videos covering the most sought-after research concepts on one user-friendly platform. IGI Global’s commitment to providing the highest quality publications, excellent service, and a positive image coupled with a steadfast pledge to put the research community and underrepresented research concepts before profit, makes IGI Global a unique and preferred publisher.

Celebrating 30 Years of Scholarly Knowledge Creation and Dissemination

1988
- Founded under the name Idea Group Inc.

1997
- First book and journal are published: The Information Resources Management Journal (IRMJ) and Information Technology Resources Utilization and Management: Issues and Trends.

1999
- First electronic copies of journals are distributed.

2002
- Start publishing eBooks.

2005

2006
- Launch of InfoSci® Online Database Platform.

2007

2011
- First utilizing the eEditorial Discovery® manuscript submission system.

2013
- First mobile app.

2015

2016
- Became a Member of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE).
IGI Global Publications

- Research Essentials
- Research Insights
- Edited References
- Authored References
- Casebooks
- Handbooks of Research
- Encyclopedias
- Critical Explorations
- Dictionaries
- Journals
- Video Lectures

IGI Global Databases

InfoSci®-Books
The InfoSci®-Books database offers unlimited simultaneous users the ability to precisely return search results through more than 82,000 full-text chapters from over 4,500 reference e-books.

InfoSci®-Journals
The InfoSci®-Journals database offers unlimited simultaneous users the ability to precisely return search results through more than 21,000 full-text articles from over 175 scholarly e-journals.

Databases are also available on the subject and discipline-levels.

Platform Features:
- No DRM
- Free MARC Records
- No Set-Up or Maintenance Fees
- Guarantee of No More than 5% Annual Price Increases
- Complimentary Archival Access
- Unlimited Simultaneous Users
- COUNTER 4 Usage Reports
- No Embargo of Content
- Full Downloads
- Full-Text Search Engine
IGI Global Publishes Several Types of Publications

We ensure that all authors and editors can display their work in a format most appropriate for their line of research.

Edited Books and Authored Books  

*What’s the Difference?*

The difference between these two publications is that an edited book is a collaborative effort traditionally led by one to five editors and requires a call for chapters to recruit chapter submissions from experts in the field, whereas an authored book is solely authored by one to five individuals and there is no need to call for content.

**Publication Types:**

Research Essentials and Research Insights

IGI Global’s Research Essentials and Research Insights line of publications include highly-descriptive chapters detailing more niche research areas, specifically areas that are still up-and-coming or developing. As such, these publications tend to be more compact, typically ranging between 5 to 10 chapters in length. Research Essentials are edited books, while the Research Insights are authored. These publications generally have the shortest timelines, with turnaround in as little as 6 months from start to finish.

Edited and Authored Reference Books

IGI Global’s standard Edited and Authored Reference Books are single-volume authored and edited monographs, typically ranging between 12 to 15 chapters. Edited references require a call for chapters, while the authors do not. These publications detail progressive research in broader areas and generally carry an average timeline of roughly 7 to 9 months.

Casebooks

IGI Global’s Casebooks are edited books comprised of approximately 10 to 15 case studies covering real-life impacts and outcomes related to the implementation of technologies, managerial practices, strategies, methodologies, theories, etc. in a particular setting. They provide a unique opportunity for research to take the shape of experience. These publications are wonderful teaching tools in higher education and/or professional settings and generally carry an average turnaround of roughly 7 to 9 months.

Handbooks of Research

IGI Global’s Handbooks of Research are larger edited major reference works and contain a wide breadth of information. These publications typically range in length from 1 to 2 volumes, carrying between 100 to 1,000 short articles. Depending on the amount of content and volumes, these publications can be completed in roughly 12 to 18+ months.

Encyclopedias

IGI Global’s Encyclopedias are extremely comprehensive edited major reference works containing a wide breadth of information broken into category sections for easy navigation. These publications typically range between 2 to 10 volumes and are comprised of between 100 to 1,000 short articles. Depending on the amount of content and volumes, these publications can be completed in roughly 12 to 18+ months.

Critical Explorations

IGI Global’s Critical Explorations are collections of carefully selected previously published IGI Global book chapters and journal articles focused on the progressions of current and emerging trends related to a single theme. These publications typically range between 30 to 200 chapters in length and are arranged across 1 to 4 volumes. They are edited and compiled through a collaboration between the Information Resources Management Association (IRMA) and an IGI Global Editorial Board. Authors with articles or chapters selected for these publications benefit from increased exposure and citation impact.

Dictionaries

IGI Global’s Dictionaries are less common, however, when they are acquired, they typically include 10,000+ detailed key terms and definitions, allowing researchers, practitioners, educators, and students to stay equipped with current knowledge of key scientific and technical words.

Journals

IGI Global’s Journals are a wonderful publication option for those seeking to publish research at a very expeditious frequency and pace. They run on either a semi-annual or quarterly frequency schedule, publishing between 5 to 10 articles per issue. Each journal has between 1 to 3 Editor(s)-in-Chief with a review board comprised of International Advisory Board Members, Managing Editors, Associate Editors, Editorial Review Board Members, and Ad Hoc Reviewers to support the peer review process.

Video Lectures

IGI Global’s Video Lectures cover a wide range of topics across numerous fields and provide an in-depth presentation on the latest innovations, methodologies, and research findings. Video lectures typically range in length from 1 to 2 hours, and each video lecturer records his/her video in different sections and lessons, allowing viewers to easily navigate to the point of interest for them.

*“I would like to express my sincere appreciation for IGI Global’s support throughout the publication process of this research insights book.”*

- Dr. Karla Drenner, Kaplan University, USA & Author, *Impacts of Faith-Based Decision Making on the Individual-Level Legislative Process: Emerging Research and Opportunities*

International Journal of Data Warehousing and Mining (IJDWM)

Dr. David Taniar (Monash University, Australia)

The International Journal of Data Warehousing and Mining (IJDWM) disseminates the latest international research findings in the areas of data management and analysis. IJDWM provides a forum for state-of-the-art developments and research, as well as current innovative activities focusing on the integration between the fields of data warehousing and data mining. Empowering applicable to real world problems, this journal meets the needs of both academic researchers and practicing IT professionals. The journal is devoted to the publication of high quality papers on theoretical developments and practical applications in data warehousing and data mining. Original research papers, state-of-the-art reviews, and technical notes are invited for publication. The journal accepts paper submissions of any work relevant to data warehousing and data mining. Special attention will be given to papers focusing on mining of data from data warehouses, integration of databases, data warehousing, and data mining; and holistic approaches to mining and archiving data.

Indexed In: Web of Science Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE), SCOPUS, Compendex (Elsevier Engineering Index), INSPEC

Print + E-Journal: US $880  
E-Journal: US $730

Institution Pricing:  
Print + E-Journal: US $260  
E-Journal: US $230

Individual Pricing:  
Print: US $120  
E-Journal: US $110

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Dr. David Taniar received his PhD in Databases from Victoria University (Australia, 1997) and is now a Senior Lecturer at Monash University (Australia). He has published more than 100 research articles and edited a number of books in the Web technology series. He is on the editorial board of a number of international journals, including Data Warehousing and Mining, Business Intelligence and Data Mining, Mobile Information Systems, Mobile Multimodal, Web Information Systems, and Web and Grid Services. He has been elected as a Fellow of the Institute for Management of Information Systems (UK).
IGI Global’s Content Coverage

Understanding that technology impacts every aspect of our daily lives, our titles center on technological advancements as well as social and human elements that fuel innovation and change in societies and organizations.

### Business & Management
- Accounting & Finance
- Business Education
- Business Ethics & Law
- Business Information Systems
- Business & Organizational Research
- Business Policy
- E-Business
- E-Commerce
- Economics & Economic Theory
- Electronic Services
- Entrepreneurship
- Global Business
- Hospitality, Travel, & Tourism Management
- Human Aspects of Business
- Human Resource Management
- Industrial Informatics
- Management Science
- Marketing
- Operations & Service Management
- Risk Assessment
- Small & Medium Enterprises

### Computer Science & Information Technology
- Artificial Intelligence
- Cloud Computing
- Cognitive Informatics
- Computer Engineering
- Data Analysis & Statistics
- Database Management
- Global Information Technology
- High Performance Computing
- Human-Computer Interaction
- IT Policy & Standardization
- IT Project Management
- IT Research & Theory
- Network Architecture
- Systems & Software Engineering
- Theoretical Computer Science
- Web Technologies

### Education
- Blended Learning
- Curriculum Development & Instructional Design
- Distance Learning
- Educational Leadership & Administration
- Educational Marketing
- Educational Technologies
- Higher Education
- Learning Assessment & Measurement
- K-12 Education
- Special Education
- Teacher Education

### Engineering
- Aerospace Engineering
- Aviation Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering Education
- Engineering Science
- Industrial Engineering
- Materials Science & Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering

### Environmental, Agricultural, & Physical Sciences
- Agricultural & Food Technologies
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Science & Technologies
- Geospatial Technologies
- Green Computing
- Earth Science
- Sustainability

### Government & Law
- Administration & Leadership
- Civic Engagement & Social Justice
- Decision Support Systems
- Digital Divide & Developing Countries
- Economics & Economic Theory
- Electronic Government
- Emergency & Disaster Management
- Ethics & Law
- Local Government
- Policy & Reform
- Public & Sector Management
- Public Health & Welfare
- Surveillance & Monitoring
- Urban & Regional Development

### Library & Information Science
- Collection Development
- Digital Competence
- Information Resources Management
- Information Retrieval
- Knowledge Management
- Library Administration
- Library Science
- Research Methods

### Medical, Healthcare, & Life Sciences
- Bioinformatics
- Biomedical Engineering
- Clinical Sciences
- Emergency Medicine
- Health Information Systems
- Healthcare Administration
- Medical Education
- Medical Engineering
- Medical Ethics
- Medical Technologies
- Molecular Computation
- Pharmacology

### Media & Communications
- Communication Studies
- Computational Linguistics
- Computer Graphics & Art
- Computer-Mediated Communication
- Digital Communications
- Digital Divide & Developing Countries
- E-Collaboration
- Gaming
- Knowledge Society
- Mobile Computing
- Multimedia Technology
- Music Technologies
- Sensor Technologies
- Social Networking
- Telecommunications
- Virtual Communities & Virtual Reality

### Security & Forensics
- Biometrics
- Criminal Science & Forensics
- Cryptography
- Cyber & Network Security
- Cyber Warfare & Terrorism
- Digital Crime & Forensics
- Information Privacy
- Information Trust
- IT Security & Ethics
- Surveillance Systems

### Social Sciences & Humanities
- Art & Culture
- Cyber Behavior
- Criminology & Victimology
- Culture & Population Studies
- Digital Humanities
- Ethics & Social Responsibility
- Gender & Diversity
- Human Aspects of Technology
- Linguistics
- Mental Health & Behavioral Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Social Change & Dynamics
- Socio-Economic Development
- Theoretical Studies
“Since 2015, I have been collaborating with IGI Global on three different projects [...] It has been a most satisfying collaboration. IGI Global staff have always been extremely professional, from the first point of contact to the last stage of publication, and afterwards. Always prompt responding to my queries, and most helpful when I needed assistance, they have shown an impeccable work ethic and an ability to treat each particular case on an individual basis, which is remarkable for a large organisation.”

- Dr. Ana-Maria Pascal, Principal Lecturer at Regent’s University London, UK & Editor of Multiculturalism and the Convergence of Faith and Practical Wisdom in Modern Society

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**Impact of Meat Consumption on Health and Environmental Sustainability**

**Dr. Talia Raphaely** (Curtin University, Australia) and **Dr. Dora Marinova** (Curtin University, Australia)

Addresses the difficulties, challenges, and opportunities in reducing excessive meat consumption in order to mitigate human and environmental damage. Policymakers, academicians, researchers, advanced-level students, technology developers, and government officials will find this text useful in furthering their research exposure to pertinent topics such as dietary recommendations for limiting meat consumption, trade, and the meat industry, ethics of meat production and consumption, and the environmental impacts of meat consumption.

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**Best in the World & Best Sustainable Food Book, Gourmand Awards**

**Best in the World**

Considered the Oscars for cookbooks, the Gourmand Awards screened more than 10,000 books from 205 countries published in 2016 to elicit the world winners.

The “Best Sustainable Food Book” Presented to an outstanding title that focuses on the best research established in developing food that is congruent with social, environmental, economic, and ethical considerations.

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“The book is in no way an appeal for people to cease producing or consuming meat... it simply asks people to consider the consequences on their personal health [...]”

- Dr. Talia Raphaely (Curtin University, Australia)
Why Authors and Editors Publish With IGI Global

• They can share their research and expertise with a global audience.
• They can progress their own research and also collaborate with others in the field.
• They can receive promotion and tenure at their institution for having publishing recognition.
• There are no fees to publish with us. We incur all costs associated with the development, typesetting, printing, marketing, and distribution of a publication.
• Quality-centric and expeditious turnaround. Authors and editors can take their publication from concept to print in less than one year.
• We are a member of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) and as such we ensure that only the highest quality and properly vetted content is released to the research community.
• Our staff members offer one-to-one support in conceptualizing, developing, producing, and promoting all publications.
• We provide several technological tools such as the eEditorial Discovery® online manuscript submission system to manage projects with ease.
• Our books and journals are continually being accepted into a number of prestigious indexing and abstracting databases. Our staff works with each and every author and editor to get their research indexed and achieve maximum impact.
• Authors and editors can earn royalties, receive discounts, and/or complimentary copies.
• Every publication is released in both print and electronic format and benefits from a robust global marketing and distribution regimen.

IGI Global offers a number of opportunities for collaboration and leadership in an editorial capacity:

• Book Authorship
• Book Editorship
• Book Series Editorship
• Journal Editorship
• Journal Special Issue Guest Editorship
• Book Chapter Authorship
• Journal Article Authorship
• Reviewing for Books or Journals
• Guest Blogging
• Hosting Webinars and/or Video Lectures

“Publishing with IGI Global has been an amazing experience for me to share my research. The strong academic production support ensures quality and timely completion. For me, IGI Global represents creative communication of quality research.”

- Dr. Margaret L. Niess, Oregon State University, USA & Author of Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge (TPACK) Framework for K-12 Teacher Preparation: Emerging Research and Opportunities

“In an academic career, finding a proper publisher is a great deal of success. I have been looking for a highly-professional and supportive team of experts and enthusiasts. And I found IGI Global, a leading international academic publisher to be the right one for me. What I consider attractive are a commitment to excellence, openness to innovations, and outstanding marketing efforts. However, nothing matters more than continuing support throughout the book development process. Having released two books and a number of other research publications with IGI Global now, I am more than happy to start my third book project in a friendly environment created by IGI Global staff. I definitely look forward to collaborating with IGI Global in the future heartily and endorse this outstanding publisher to all my colleagues.”

- Dr. Vasily Erokhin, Harbin Engineering University, China & Editor of Global Perspectives on Trade Integration and Economies in Transition & Establishing Food Security and Alternatives to International Trade in Emerging Economies
What Authors and Editors Can Expect When Publishing With IGI Global

We take great pride in the fact that every single step of the publishing process, with the exception of the printing, is conducted in-house by our seasoned staff. This allows for greater one-to-one interaction and also more in-depth quality control initiatives.

Our knowledgeable Acquisitions Team is available to answer questions as authors and editors conceptualize and ultimately submit their publication project proposal for consideration. Once the proposal is submitted, our Acquisitions Team conducts an initial assessment and if deemed viable, the proposal will be entered into an official review by the Editorial Board.

The process in total can take up to 4-6 weeks before a final decision is reached. It is possible that during that time the author or editor may be requested to make revisions to and/or clarify sections of their proposal. If the publication project proposal is accepted, the author or editor will then receive a formal contract outlining the project's expectations and deadlines. As soon as the signed contract is returned, the publication project is then assigned to an experienced Development Editor who will work with the author or editor throughout the development phase of the publishing process.

Our Development Editors can answer a variety of questions, including those pertaining to the eEditorial Discovery® online manuscript submission system which eases all aspects of the publishing process. They also can advise on how to recruit submissions, provide guidance on how to ensure that all submissions meet IGI Global's standards, and finally support authors and editors with preparing the final materials for production.

“[...] The process was very smooth and we were given a lot of support and encouragement from IGI Global, with just three review points requested, using the simple forms provided. The book was completed in five months and the subsequent double-blind peer review procedure completed in a further two. [...] Overall the process involved was simple and rapid and as authors we were pleased with the pace and the final outcome.”

- Dr. John Denholm, The University of Manchester, UK & University of Warwick, UK & Author, Enhancing Education and Training Initiatives Through Serious Games

Once all content is complete and checked by the Development Editor, the publication is moved to our Production Team for final typesetting and proofing. Authors and editors will have the opportunity to review a proof of their publication and may provide commentary and/or minor edits. Upon completion, the final publication will be sent to the printer.

The electronic version will be made promptly available, and shortly after, the print version will be ready for distribution. Our Marketing Team will ensure that the publication benefits from maximum impact and reach, which includes applying it for consideration into numerous indices and various other channels for discovery.

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IGI Global’s Publishing Process

Our seasoned staff supports authors and editors with their project conceptualization as well as the development, production, and marketing of the materials. The eEditorial Discovery® system eases the double-blind peer review process, with print and video tutorials to provide guidance along the way.

Submit a Publication Proposal and Conceptualize the Project:
• Submit a book or journal proposal through the online submission form into the eEditorial Discovery® system.
• Consult with the IGI Global Acquisitions Team on how to make the proposed publication project a marketable product that fills an existing need.

Review and Contracting of the Proposed Project:
• Official review is conducted by the Editorial Board.
• Authors and editors can make any requested revisions to the proposal and/or provide any additional clarity that may be needed.
• Final decision is reached and communicated.
• Contract issued if proposal is accepted.

Project Setup:
• An IGI Global Development Editor is assigned to the book or journal project and the project is set up within the eEditorial Discovery® system.
• For edited projects, a call for chapters or articles is launched and the author recruitment process begins.
• For authored projects, the writing process begins.

Peer Review Process:
• A double-blind peer review process is run through the eEditorial Discovery® system for all publication types.
• For edited projects, upon the completion of the peer review process, the editor will begin accepting or rejecting articles or chapters.
• For authored projects, upon completion of the peer review process, the publication will be accepted, rejected, or revisions will be requested from the Editorial Board.

Finalization of Content:
• All front matter for the publication project will need to be submitted (e.g. table of contents, preface, etc.)
• Book projects will be filed to receive CIP Data from the Library of Congress.
• Formal announcements go out for the publication to prospective customers and distribution partners.
• All final materials will be checked by the Development Editor to ensure that they meet IGI Global’s guidelines.
• Project moves to production.

Published edited books with IGI Global has been a professionally rewarding experience. IGI Global has staff and systems in place to facilitate the process of disseminating calls for chapters, reviewing chapter proposals, and completing the process of reviewing, revising, and finalizing chapters.”
- Dr. Drew Polly, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, USA & Editor of Innovative Practices in Teacher Preparation and Graduate-Level Teacher Education Programs

Documents are styled and formatted and released as proofs for authors and editors to view through the eEditorial Discovery® system.
• All authors and editors have the chance to review their proof and make minor comments and revision requests.
• Final typesetting occurs on the book or journal project.
• Publication is sent to print.

The Marketing Team will also:
• Provide tips on how to share and promote the published work.
• Create promotional materials, web content, and communications in support of the published work.
• Distribute the metadata as well as the electronic files to major selling and distribution channels.
• Provide consult on how to get the work indexed in prestigious indices.
IGI Global’s Marketing and Distribution Process

Our marketing staff will ensure that every author and editor’s research is disseminated efficiently and effectively. Each publication is unique and requires a personalized and collaborative approach through physical, digital, and print marketing outlets. The objective is to secure visibility and demand through IGI Global’s large network of global distribution partners including EBSCO, ProQuest, and various others.

Marketing Initiatives

Visibility, discoverability, and accessibility are key for any successful publication, and our marketing staff will ensure that each author and editor’s publication is made widely available to academic libraries, special libraries, and independent researchers worldwide. Through personalized assistance from subject-specific marketers, we utilize both digital and more traditional marketing tactics. Including, but not limited to:

- Email marketing, metadata delivery, and website features
- Social Media Marketing such as Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn
- Customized product flyers, discount forms, and graphics for the publication
- Direct Mailing including being featured in one of 20+ brochures
- Features in IGI Global’s Newsroom and Press Network
- Onsite Institution Visits

Conferences and Meetings

Over the past 30 years, IGI Global has been represented at most major library and research-based conferences, as well as industry-leading book fairs and expos around the globe. We are proud to exhibit and support these conferences and events as a part of our commitment to supporting the library and researcher community as the preferred provider of quality, forward-thinking research.

Events that IGI Global Attends, Include but are Not Limited to:

- American Library Association Midwinter Meeting (Corporate member of the American Library Association)
- Association of College Research Libraries Conference (exhibitor/sponsor)
- Electronic Resources and Libraries Conference (exhibitor/sponsor)
- American Education Research Association Annual Meeting
- Book Expo America
- Special Library Association Annual Conference (Corporate member of the American Library Association)
- American Library Association Annual Meeting (Corporate member of the American Library Association)
- Academy of Management Annual Meeting
- Beijing International Book Fair
- Frankfurt International Book Fair
- Charleston Conference (Diamond Sponsor)
- American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference and Exposition

Handbook of Research on Computerized Occlusal Analysis Technology Applications in Dental Medicine (2 Vols.)

Dr. Robert B. Kerstein, DMD (Former Clinical Professor at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, USA & Private Dental Practice Limited to Prosthodontics and Computerized Occlusal Analysis, USA)

Explores the use of digital tools in dentistry, including their evolution as well as evidence-based research on the benefits of technological tools versus non-digital occlusal indicators.

Editor Biography

Dr. Robert B. Kerstein received his D.M.D. degree in 1983 and Prosthodontic certificate in 1985 from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine, and maintained an active appointment there from 1985 - 1998 as a clinical professor teaching fixed and removable Prosthodontics. His now 30 years of research and experience with the T Scan III Occlusal Analysis System and Computerized Occlusal Analysis has led him to become a leading author and researcher with forty-five peer-reviewed publications that have appeared in numerous prestigious journals such as the Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry, the Journal of Craniofacial and Sleep Practice, and Quintessence International as well as four textbook chapters that highlighted the T-Scan computerized occlusal analysis technology. Dr. Kerstein has lectured both nationally and internationally, and currently maintains a successful private practice in Boston, Massachusetts, that is limited to Prosthodontics, Computerized Occlusal Analysis, and Myofascial Pain Dysfunction.

― Dr. Janet Southerland, DDS, MPH, PhD, Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry, Doody’s Book Review Service

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IGI Global’s Commitment to Quality and Ethics

Each of our publications undergo a rigorous double-blind peer review process through the eEditorial Discovery® manuscript submission system.

**Authored Books**

- Authored Manuscript Submission
- Editorial Advisory Board Initial Assessment
- Double-Blind Peer Review
- Author Revisions (If Applicable)
- Editorial Advisory Review
- Production Phase
- Proofing

**Edited Books**

- Full Chapter Submission
- Editor-in-Chief Initial Assessment
- Editor-in-Chief Review
- Managing Editor Review
- Author Revisions (If Applicable)
- Editor-in-Chief Review
- Editor-in-Chief Final Review
- Production Phase
- Proofing
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