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## JCCPSL Special Edition on Cancer

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Worldwide, an estimated 10 million deaths and 19 million new cases of cancer occurred in 2020<sup>1</sup>. The leading cancer worldwide included breast cancer (2.3 million new cases) followed by lung, colorectal, prostate and stomach cancers. The incidence is rising in all countries, and specially in countries with rapid demographic transition. Sri Lanka is no exception from this trend with rapidly increasing cancer incidence. In 2020, 3975 new cases of breast cancer were diagnosed as the leading cancer. Oral, colorectal, lung and esophageal cancers were the other leading cancers in Sri Lanka. A total of ~30,000 new cases of cancers are reported from Sri Lanka in 2020<sup>2</sup>.

Recognizing cancer as a priority public health issue, the Journal of Community Physicians of Sri Lanka (JCCPSL) in collaboration with the National Cancer Control Programme Sri Lanka will publish a Special Edition on Cancer in 2021. This special edition will provide a useful forum to share experiences on original work conducted in different settings in Sri Lanka. All manuscripts related to cancer from all related disciplines are welcome with particular attention to manuscripts related to public health importance.

### Submission Guidelines

This special edition will use the usual submission and peer review processes of the JCCPSL. However, the manuscript types will be limited to original research, short reports and systematic reviews. Further details on the submission process are available on JCCPSL website (<https://jccpsl.sljol.info/about/submissions/>).

The submission portal will be accepting submissions to the special edition **from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 onwards**. Please mention in your cover letter that the manuscript submitted is to be considered for the Special Edition on Cancer.

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<sup>1</sup> Sung, H, Ferlay, J, Siegel, RL, Laversanne, M, Soerjomataram, I, Jemal, A, Bray, F. Global cancer statistics 2020: GLOBOCAN estimates of incidence and mortality worldwide for 36 cancers in 185 countries. *CA Cancer J Clin.* 2021; 71: 209- 249. <https://doi.org/10.3322/caac.21660>

<sup>2</sup> Sri Lanka Cancer Country Profile 2020, The Global Cancer Observatory, <https://geo.iarc.fr/today/data/factsheets/populations/144-sri-lanka-fact-sheets.pdf>

