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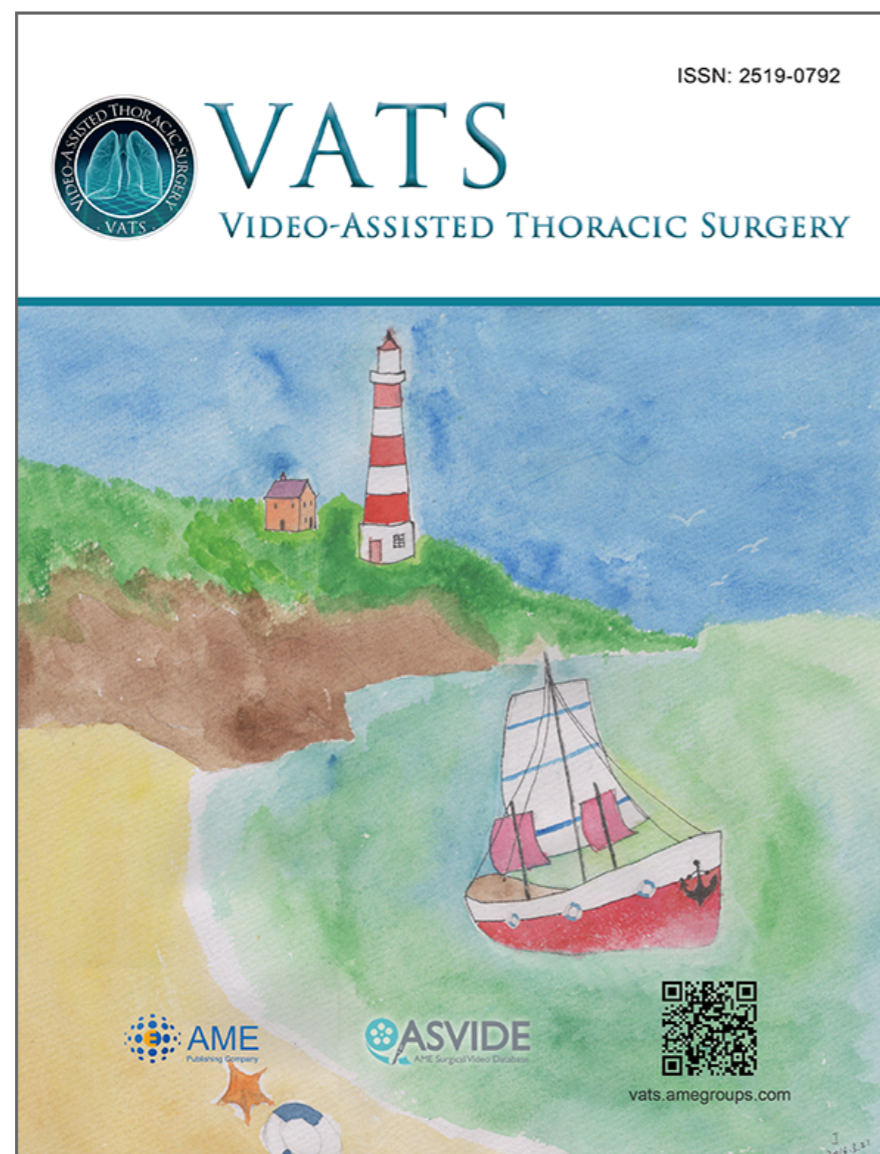


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1. Basic Information



- The **1st** English journal dedicated to VATS in international community
- Newly-launched in **May 2016**
- **International, Peer-Reviewed, Open-Access**
- The VATS journal will serve as a dedicated place where key questions in the field of VATS surgery may be answered by publishing flexible and diverse article genres **in a fast electronic publication mode**.
- Technical questions will easily be addressed because of its ability to **publish videos**.



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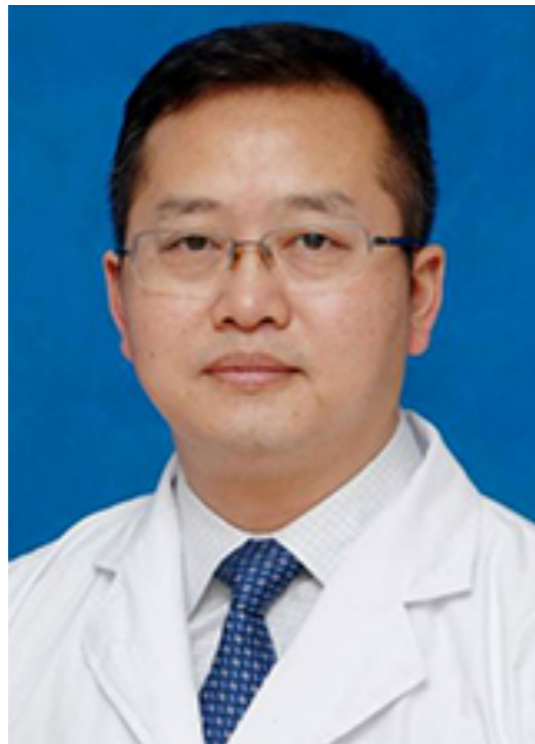
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2. Editors-in-Chief



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On behalf of the VATS editorial team, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the Editorial Board Members, Guest Editors, Section Editors, Authors, Reviewers and Readers who have contributed to and supported VATS since its birth. In the new year, we warmly welcome more excellent surgeons and researchers to join us to make VATS an innovative and significant platform for the field.

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3. A Glimpse of VATS Editorial Board

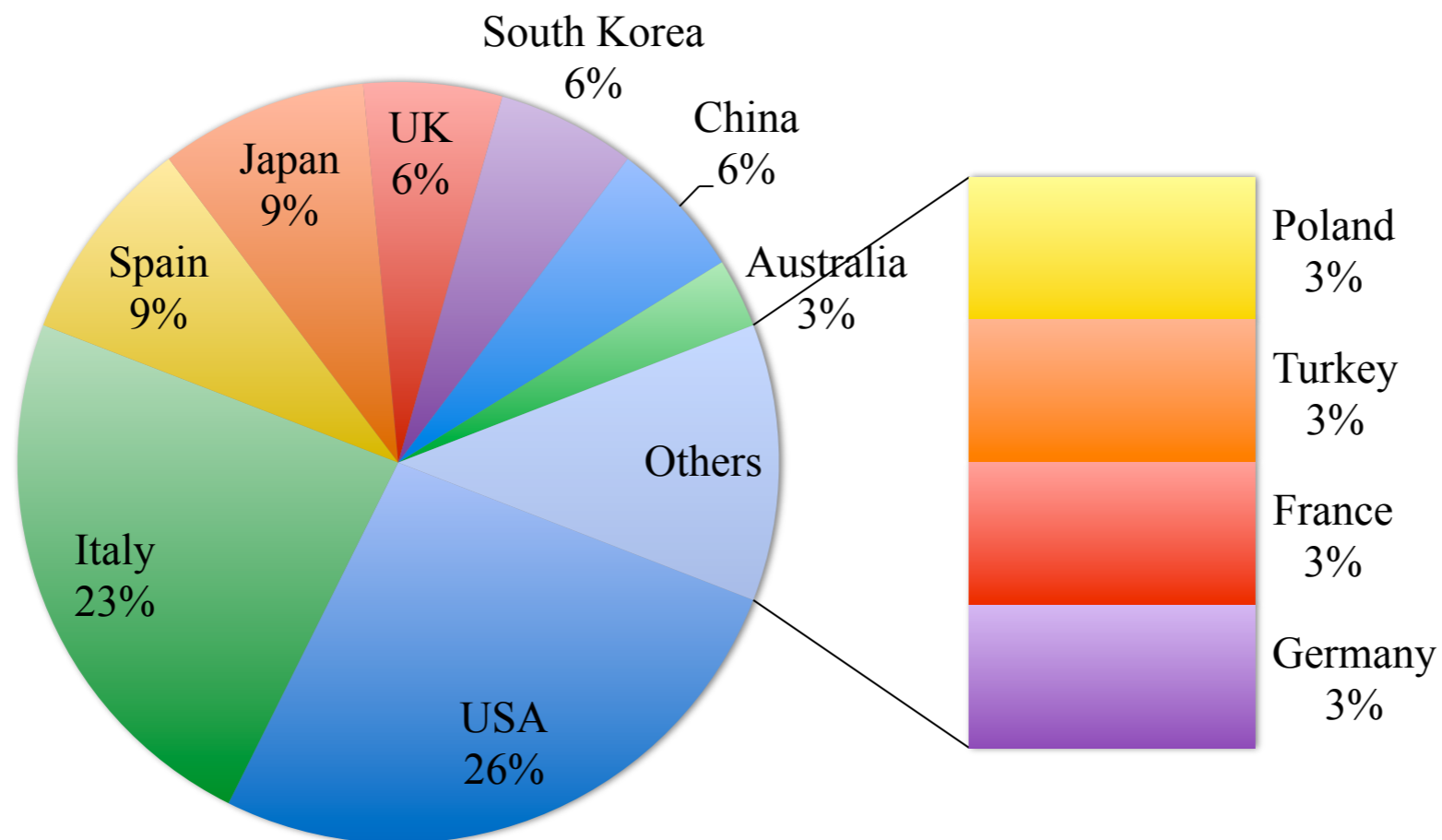
Since first launch in May 2016, over 30 thoracic experts throughout the world have joined VATS Editorial Board, and More will come.





3. Geographical Distribution of Editorial Board Members

% of total: 100% (34 Board Members)





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4. Articles Published in 2016

Review Article

Cost analysis of VATS approaches

Alessandro Brunelli

Video-Assisted Thoracic Surgery 2016, 1:26 (25 October 2016)

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Editorial

The length of skin incision and the ability of surgeon

Alfonso Fiorelli, Mario Santini

Video-Assisted Thoracic Surgery 2016, 1:25 (10 October 2016)

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Surgical Technique

Thoracoscopic S⁶ segmentectomy: tricks to know

Agathe Seguin-Givelet, Jon Lutz, Dominique Gossot

Video-Assisted Thoracic Surgery 2016, 1:24 (10 October 2016)

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Original Article

Constructing tunnels to troubleshoot complete pleural symphysis during video-assisted thoracic surgery

Chengwu Liu, Qiang Pu, Hu Liao, Lin Ma, Jiandong Mei, Feng Lin, Chenglin Guo, Lunxu Liu

Video-Assisted Thoracic Surgery 2016, 1:23 (28 September 2016)

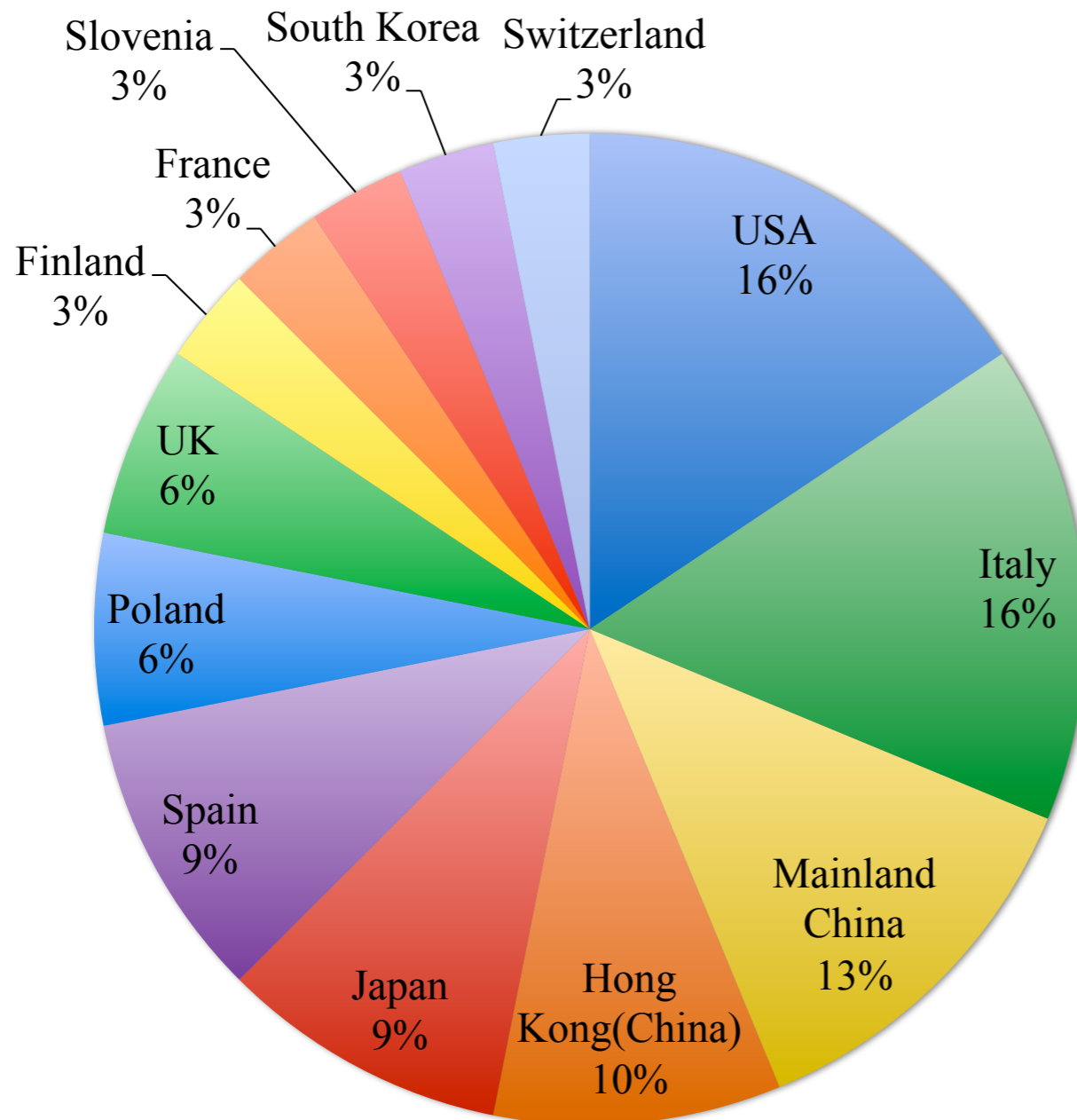
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Since first launched in May 2016, VATS altogether published **34** articles in 2016, with diverse article types.

Note: A screenshot of articles published in 2016.



5. International Diversity of Corresponding Authors



Corresponding authors of the 34 articles published in 2016 come from different countries and areas with the majority from USA, China, and Italy.



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6. Focused Issues and Guest Editors(2016-2017)

Focused Issue: *VATS-The Age of Maturity*



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Piergiorgio Solli, MD, PhD

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6. Focused Issues and Guest Editors(2016-2017)

Focused Issue: *Minimally invasive VATS thymectomy for Myasthenia Gravis*



Alper Toker, MD

President of the ESTS in 2015.
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Istanbul Medical School,
Istanbul University,
Istanbul,
Turkey



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6. Focused Issues and Guest Editors(2016-2017)

Focused Issue: *Video-assisted major thoracic procedures: approaches*



Dominique Gossot, MD

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6. Focused Issues and Guest Editors (2017)

Focused Issue: *Esophageal Surgery*



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More focused issues leading by outstanding experts of the thoracic field are expected to come.



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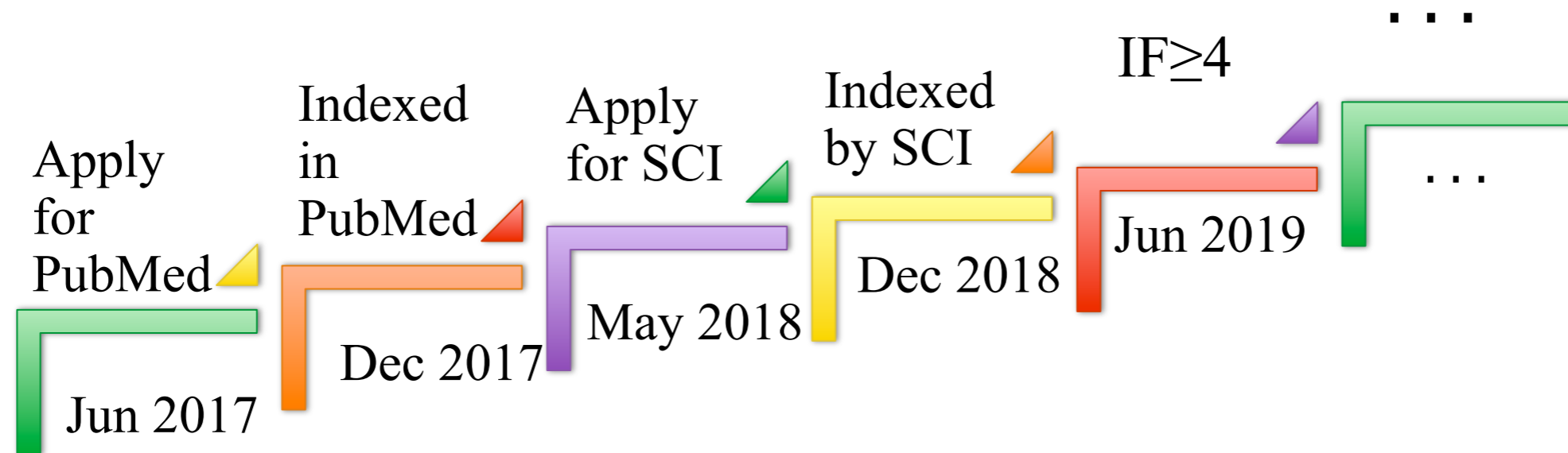
7. First Exhibit on Academic Forum



The VATS journal was first exhibited on the *8th West China Forum on Minimally Invasive Thoracic Surgery* held in Kunming, China in August 2016, and has caused great interest from Chinese and international experts.



8. Blueprint For Future Development





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9. Sino-US Conference on VATS

--A regular academic exchange activity based on the journal

The conference will be held every year, which **aspires to establish fruitful collaborations between surgeons across the globe in order to help answer important questions facing the field of VATS.**



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华西临床医学院/华西医院

West China School of Medicine/West China Hospital, Sichuan University



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The organizer and conference site will take turns between the West China Hospital and UC San Diego Health Moores Cancer Center.

The 1st Sino-US Conference on VATS will be held in the West China Hospital in 2017;

The 2nd Sino-US Conference on VATS will be held in UC San Diego Health Moores Cancer Center in 2018;

The 3rd Sino-US Conference on VATS will be held in the West China Hospital in 2019...

We warmly welcome all the thoracic surgeons and researchers throughout the world to join this meaningful conference, to share your valuable expertise and help move forward the field of VATS and finally benefit the patients.

