

Editor's Commentary

“If you want change, you have to make it. If we want progress we have to drive it.” – Susan Rice

There have been many changes that have taken place at the *CAR* since I began my tenure as editor. Some aspects have been met with resistance – others with praise and support.

“Be a yardstick of quality. Some people aren't used to an environment where excellence is expected.” – Steve Jobs

I stand by my dedication to making the *CAR* the aviation academic journal with the highest regard among the industry. With this comes a commitment to ensuring that the work that appears in the journal is original, quality research that adds to the exigent body of knowledge. I believe that this edition shows how far the *CAR* has come. We had a record number of submissions and this edition is one of the largest we have published. Submissions for the Fall edition are already beginning to be submitted. It appears that the *CAR* is quite healthy and receiving numerous, excellent studies for consideration for publication. The publication rate for this issue was 83%, rather high for an academic journal. However, I believe that the editorial staff and the reviewers did an excellent job of considering the submissions and insuring only quality work was accepted. I would like to say a special thank you for all who have dedicated their time and effort in service of the journal.

I will again challenge all of you to go out and perform research in pursuit of publication in the *CAR*. I will even make more interesting. If you have never been published in the *CAR*, submit an article for the Fall edition, and it is selected for publication, I will host a dinner for you in Puerto Rico (and if you can't make it I will send you a gift card so you can have a nice meal with friends or family). I'll call this the Editor's Challenge. I hope we will be sharing some mofongo or other Puerto Rican specialty in the Fall.

As a reminder, the *CAR* now accepts book reviews (non-peer reviewed), methodological papers, reviews of statistical analysis, pilot studies, and more – basically, we are now more flexible about submissions. Please send me a query about any ideas you have for submission. We can chat about what works and what doesn't.

Lastly, thank you to all who support the transition of the *CAR* into an even more prestigious publication. Cheers – David Ison, PhD, Editor

“Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company.” – George Washington