

Questionnaire with Dr. Lawrence E Murr (Editor)

Journal of Biotechnology & Biomaterials

1. How many years have you been practicing and/or performing research?

50 plus years practicing/or performing research

2. What is the research topic you are working on now?

Current topics include additive manufacturing by electron beam melting technology of patient specific implant structures and assessment of bone ingrowth (osteoblast cell ingrowth) into open cellular structures as well as prospects for vascularization of open cellular structures.

3. What makes an article top quality?

Top quality articles contribute to new knowledge and advancement of a field/discipline or area.

4. What are the qualities you look for in an article?

Qualities in articles include scholarship exemplified by appropriate literature references, exemplary micrographs of high quality, clearly written narrative, etc

5. Do you have any research funding (NIH or other national funding) now?

Institutional funding/Endowed chair

6. When did you become an editor of OMICS Journal?

Editor since 2011

7. What is your greatest career accomplishment?

Just completed 1700 page, 2 volume Handbook of Materials Structures, Properties, Processing and Performance, for Springer Science and Business, New York, among many others

8. How does the research published percolate through to practitioners?

Practitioners need to be vigilant and read the literature.

9. What is the purpose of serving as an editor?

Editors serve as judges of quality and relevance, they are intellectual and scholarly filters in maintaining standards and quality

10. Do you have any patents?

4 patents

11. Have you contributed any editorials or papers (any types) to OMICS Journals in the past two years?

Editorial contributed to J. Biotechnology and Biomaterials in 2012

12. Do you plan to contribute any editorials or papers to OMICS Journals in the next year?

Possibly within the next year

13. Do you have any trouble with OMICS Journals in the past?

Some protocols are confusing

14. Would you recommend OMICS to your friends or colleagues?

Yes, I have

15. How do you differentiate Journal of Biotechnology & Biomaterials with other journals in the field?

Quality, citations, impact factor, etc