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Now that continuing medical education programs are available in Web streaming, CD, DVD, and even MP3 formats, we at the *Journal* continue to look for ways to effectively meet the changing wants and needs of you our readers.

Some journals exist only online. Others have kept their traditional paper format, but have added limited electronic versions. We have adopted the latter strategy—we are sticking with paper, believing that the nature of our articles lends itself best to a format that permits ease of reading as well as random browsing.

But our Web site (www.ccjm.org) has all of our articles published since May 2001, and we plan to upgrade our search engine for readers looking for specific articles. Our Web site attracts almost 2,500 visitors daily. Since 2003 we have provided free CME credit online, and more than 31,000 credits were provided in 2005 (more than with previous paper processing).

This month we are offering the proceedings of the second annual Cleveland Clinic Perioperative Medicine Summit as an online supplement to the *Journal*. Dr. Amir Jaffer, one of the associate editors of the *Journal*, has edited this clinically focused supplement. It includes a number of “consults” in the 1-Minute Consult format familiar to our readers, as well as 29 abstracts. Additional information is provided on page 815 of this issue.

We will track our readers’ use of this online feature. As always, I invite your feedback on whether this provides extra value to you in your struggle with the conflicting time demands of home life, clinical practice, and continuing education. But have no fear: we have no plans to convert the *Journal* to a totally online publication. We, too, value the convenience of being able to pull out the latest issue while sitting on a plane or a train, or even at the edge of the pool.

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