

Editor's Note

WORKING AMIDST COVID-19!

Dear Readers,

In this issue, all staff and support services of NIJOTECH had to work from home. Yes, all the editorial work were collated online and we are glad to publish the April 2020 issue. Our issue statistics are shown in Table 1.

NIJOTECH has maintained its lead as the best engineering journal South of Sahara by all indices. We have continued to maintain our high ratings as more and more articles are being submitted from more countries outside Nigeria. Our editorial staff has been expanded with two volunteers who has agreed to ensure that the issues are published as early as scheduled. That allowed some leverage on the existing staff and we are more poised to serve the wider audience that NIJOTECH is attracting globally.

I will like to use this opportunity to announce that Engr. Dr. Ogechukwu Nkechineylu Iloanusi has volunteered to work as Editor of NIJOTECH overseeing the typesetting, manuscript organization and issue scheduling. Engr. Desmond Obinna commenced work on online

activities within this April too. These engagements became necessary even during the pre-COVODI-19 days as I assume more administrative responsibilities and engagements in our university. I greatly appreciate the efforts of this duo in seeing that this issue makes it online.

We continue to work harder in 2020 and hopefully, we will overcome, publish more and better articles and render higher service delivery than before. As usual we rely on the doggedness of our peer reviewers who turn in reviews in a timely manner.

Thanks for being a part of our success story.



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Table 1: Article statistics for Vol. 39, No. 2, April 2020

S/N		General	Section A	Section B	Section C	Section D	TOTALS
1.	Number of Articles Received	3	18	20	38	14	96
2.	Number of Articles Accepted	0	7	10	16	5	38
3.	Number of Articles Published	0	6	9	15	5	35
4.	Number of Pages	12	43	94	135	39	323
5.	Number of Authors	0	16	37	36	22	111
6.	Acceptance Rate (%)	0	38.9%	50.0%	42.1%	37.1%	44.2% (AV.)
7.	Average Time of Article Review (months)		2.9	3.1	2.6	2.4	2.75 (AVERAGE)