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Esteemed Editor-In-Chief of *The Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery* to Continue Tenure

CHICAGO, Illinois, February 16, 2016—The AAST announced today that Dr. Ernest E. “Gene” Moore will continue his tenure as Editor-In-Chief for *The Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery*, one of the most influential posts in the international field of trauma care, for the next five years.

The AAST’s *Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery (JTACS)*, the association’s flagship publication, is the world’s premier authority on peer-reviewed publications in trauma and acute care surgery. *JTACS* serves as a primary reference for professionals who are involved in the scientific and evidence-based care of traumatic and acute injury.

“It is hard to believe that Dr. Moore has been the Editor-in-Chief for the *Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery* for five years,” says AAST President Dr. Grace S. Rozycki. “During his tenure, Dr. Moore has far exceeded all expectations with the *Journal* and has accomplished remarkable achievements such as, decreasing the time from manuscript submission to print while increasing the *Journal*’s rigorous review process. We are fortunate to have such an internationally recognized surgeon-investigator and leader at the helm and we are positively thrilled to renew his contract.” Says Dr. Moore, “We appreciate the opportunity to serve the AAST and continue to mature the *Journal* over the next five years.”

The *Journal*’s impact factor is set to increase. Using publicly accessible citation data from Thomson Reuters’ Web of Science, the editors have calculated a rough impact factor for 2015, and it appears that the *Journal*’s impact factor is set to rise moderately. The official impact factor for 2015 will be released by Thomson Reuters in June/July of 2016.

Always known and esteemed for its retention of highly respected reviewers, this year, *JTACS* will begin to formally recognize one of its own. Dr. Denis Bensard has been selected to receive the *Journal*’s inaugural award for outstanding service as a reviewer in 2015. The award will be named in honor of Dr. Norman McSwain, who served *JTACS*’s readership as a longtime top reviewer. Dr. Bensard’s achievement was announced on jtrauma.com on January 1st, and he will be formally recognized by the editors at the next AAST meeting.

In addition, the AAST announced that Wolters Kluwer, will continue as the *Journal*’s publisher for the next seven years. With more than 300 healthcare and medical journals, Wolters Kluwer Health is a leading global provider of information and point of care solutions for the healthcare industry. According to Dr. Moore, “Wolters Kluwer has been a stalwart publishing partner, and the editorial team looks forward to building on our joint efforts to develop an impactful and relevant publication.” “We are excited to continue our long and rewarding partnership with the

AAST,” says Jayne Marks, Vice President, Global Publishing, Wolters Kluwer, Health Learning Research & Practice. “Dr. Moore has provided excellent editorial leadership, and we are proud to help the AAST in their mission to improve the care of critically ill surgical patients and to expand the knowledge base for acute care surgery.”

Wolters Kluwer has published the *Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery* since its launch in 1961. “Thus extending our long-term business relationship with them to over 60 years,” adds President Rozycki. “The AAST Board of Managers recognizes and appreciates the value that both Dr. Moore and Wolters Kluwer bring to the *Journal* and to the AAST brand.”

About the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma

Established in 1938, the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST) remains the leading scientific trauma society in the world. The mission of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma is to serve as the premier scholarly organization for surgeons dedicated to the field of trauma and the care of critically ill surgical patients. The AAST is dedicated to discovery, dissemination, implementation, and evaluation of knowledge related to acute care surgery (trauma, surgical critical care, and emergency surgery) by fostering research, education, and professional development in an environment of fellowship and collegiality. For more information, please visit <http://www.aast.org/>

About *The Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery*

The Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery, the official publication for the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, provides an interdisciplinary forum for the dissemination of peer-reviewed original articles regarding trauma and acute care surgery. Papers focus on the clinical management of trauma, emergency surgery, the molecular biology of traumatic injury, the care of critically ill patients, and legal/policy concerns related to trauma. *The Journal of Trauma and Acute Care Surgery* serves as a primary reference for professionals who are involved in the scientific and evidence-based care of traumatic and acute injury. *The Journal* publishes original articles, review articles, guidelines, current opinions, procedures and techniques, brief reports and, periodically, special reports. For more information, please visit <http://www.jtrauma.com/>

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