



## **Big Changes Ahead for *Journal of Food Protection***

**IAFP is pleased to announce that the**

***Journal of Food Protection***

**will be published as a fully open access journal  
with Elsevier beginning January 2023.**

The mission of IAFP is to provide food safety professionals worldwide with a forum to exchange information on protecting the food supply. IAFP's decision was motivated in part by the Editorial Board's desire to make *JFP*'s essential research **open to all** and to **reach the widest audience** across all its sectors in corporate, government, and education.

As prior issues of the ***Journal of Food Protection*** older than five years were made free to read online, usage data skyrocketed, confirming a need for the content. These back files include *JFP*'s two prior titles: ***Journal of Milk and Food Technology*** (1947-1976) and ***Journal of Milk Technology*** (1937-1946).

Noticeable growth in authors choosing open access indicated a desire to have their content freely available for all to read. In the current model, all authors already pay page charges. This fee will be replaced by an Article Publishing Charge of \$1,600 for **IAFP's Members**, for which the articles will become fully accessible upon publication. Under this model, authors can also share their research more broadly, *without paywalls or copyright issues*.

Following a full exploration and consideration of its options, the IAFP Executive Board chose to work with Elsevier based on their experience transitioning subscription journals to fully open access journals and the strength of their platform that will help increase the discovery and visibility of JFP content. The agreement will *reduce the cost of open-access publishing* for both Members and nonmembers.

**IAFP looks forward to making all *JFP* research available for everyone to read,  
download, copy, and distribute.**