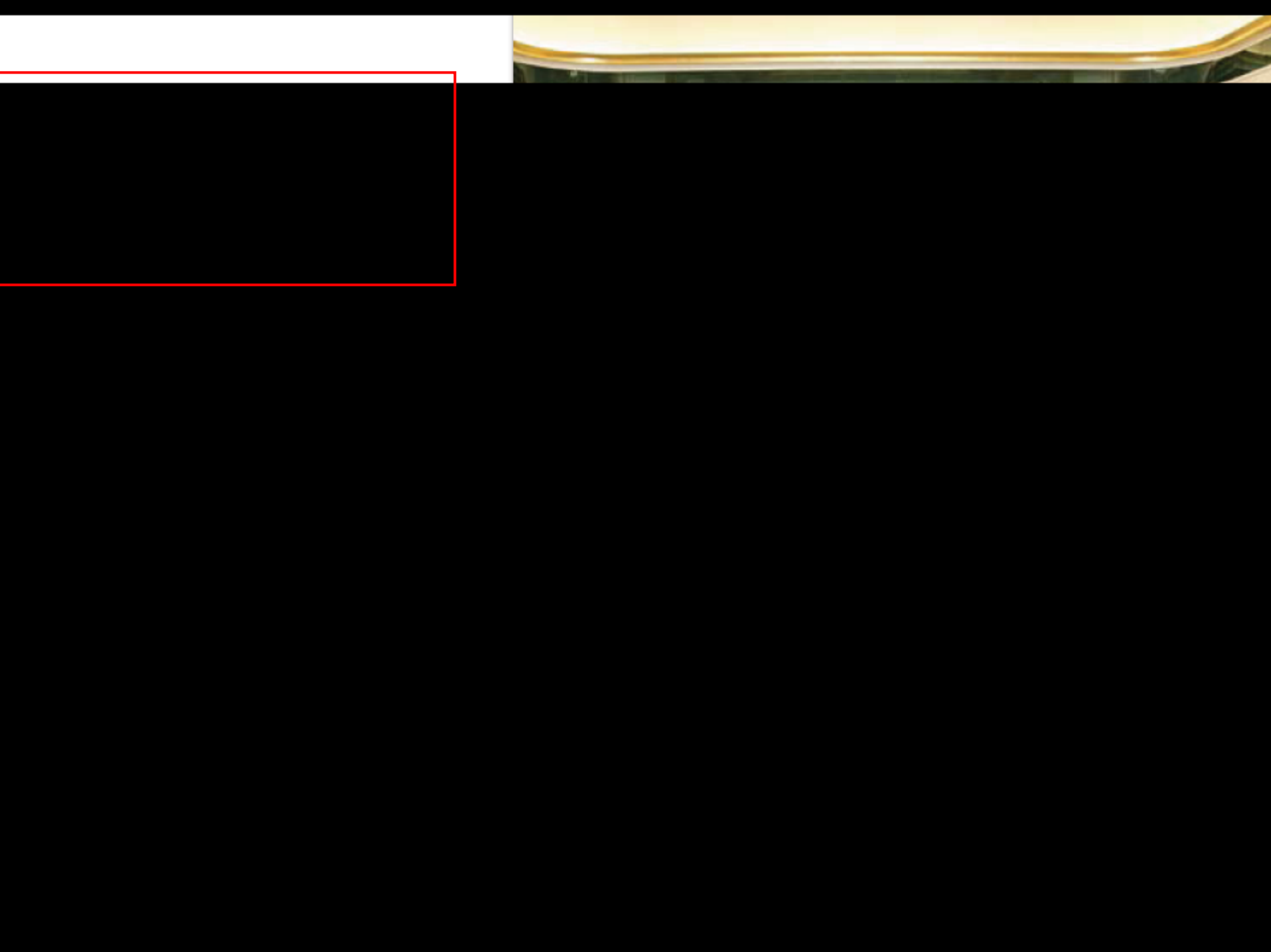




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PEOPLE

Last but not least, WHO is people. Over 8000 public health experts including doctors, epidemiologists, scientists, managers, administrators and other professionals from all over the world work for WHO in 147 country offices, six regional offices and at the headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.

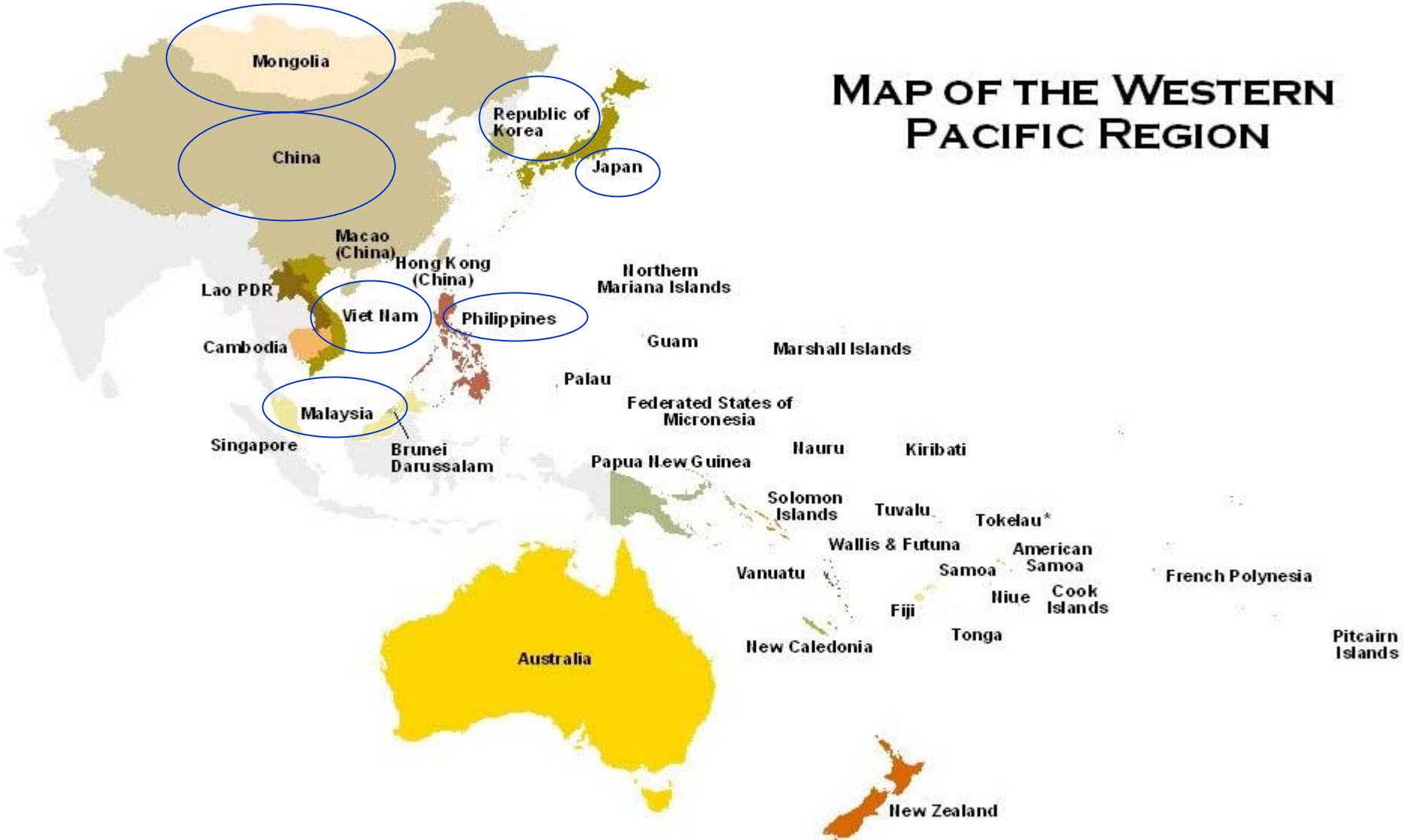


What is WPRIM?

The **Western Pacific Region Index Medicus** (WPRIM) is a project of WHO Member States in the Western Pacific Region. The project is coordinated by World Health Organization Regional Office in Manila.


Its primary objective is *“to establish an online regional medical index of selected medical/health journals published in some of its 37 Member States”* (from China to the Pacific Islands including the Philippines).

MAP OF THE WESTERN PACIFIC REGION



Seven Countries in the Region have now participated in the WPRIM initiative and have already established their National Journal Selection Committee (NJSC)

* Associate member



There are also ongoing communication with the following countries for participation in WPRIM

- Cambodia (*National Institute of Public Health*)
- Laos (*National Institute of Public Health*)
- Papua New Guinea (*PNG Institute of Medical Research*)
- Pacific Island Countries (*Fiji School of Medicine & Pacific Health Research Council*)



Australia

- Formed an Australian Coordinating Group to coordinate WPRIM contributions in Australia.
- The group is composed of members from the following institutions:
 - a. HealthInsite Editorial Team, Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing
 - b. National Library of Australia (responsible for the Australasian Medical Index)
 - c. University of Queensland

National Journal Selection Committee (NJSC)

- Screen and select journals for inclusion in WPRIM based on the approved journal selection criteria
- Recommend journals for the approval of the Regional Journal Selection Committee (RJSC) for the inclusion and uploading of its records in the WPRIM database linked to abstracts or full text articles.

Journal Selection Criteria

The following journal selection criteria were finalized and approved by representatives of the National Journal Selection Committees at a Consultation held in Tokyo, Japan on 17-18 May 2007:

- cover health and biomedical subject;
- be peer-reviewed, either internally or externally;
- have English abstracts;
- be regularly published (at least 2 issues per year). However, if the journal is published only once a year, it will be encouraged to increase its frequency to at least two issues per year: and
- include "Instructions to Authors" reviewed and accepted by the National Journal Selection Committees.

Note:

National Journal Selection Committees may decide to add country-specific criteria to the minimum journal selection criteria stated above.

For example, the registration of clinical trials as a scientific and ethical responsibility.



Philippines – National Journal Selection Committee

Chair : Dr Jose Avila
Members : Dr Dinah Nadera
Dr Raymond Rosales
Dr Arnold Yu



Philippine Journals included in WPRIM

1. Acta Medica Philippina
2. Filipino Family Physicians
3. Journal of the Phil Medical Association
4. Phil Journal of Anaesthesiology
5. Phil Journal of Dermatology
6. Phil Journal of Internal Medicine
7. Phil Journal of Neurology
8. Phil Journal of Obstetrics & Gynaecology
9. Phil Journal of Psychiatry
10. Phil Journal of Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility
11. Phil Journal of Surgical Specialties
12. Phil Journal of Thoracic & Cardiovascular Surgery
13. Phil Journal of Urology

Regional Journal Selection Committee (RJSC)


Initial composition for a term of two years as decided during the Second Meeting on WPRIM held in Seoul, Republic of Korea on 21-23 November 2007

- **Chair** – Director of China Institute of Medical Information
- **Secretary** – WHO/WPRO Responsible Officer for WPRIM
- **Members** - Chairs of Countries' NJSC



Role of the Regional Journal Selection Committee (RJSC)

- To review the journals recommended by the Countries NJSC based on the approved journal selection criteria.
- To approve the journals for inclusion in the WPRIM database.



The Regional Journal Selection Committee (RJSC) provisionally approved the journals recommended by the Countries National Journal Selection Committee (NJSC) during the Second Meeting on WPRIM held in Seoul, Republic of Korea on 21-23 November 2007

- ❖ China – 64 titles
- ❖ Japan – 2 titles
- ❖ Mongolia – 2 titles
- ❖ Philippines – 13 titles
- ❖ Republic of Korea – 131 titles

WPRIM Website

<http://wprim.wpro.who.int/SearchBasic.php>


WPRIM - Basic Search - Microsoft Internet Explorer


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WPRIM

Search for

- Enter one or more search terms.
- Enter author names as hong kd. Initials are optional.
- Enter journal titles in full or as MEDLINE abbreviations. Use the [Journal Browser](#) to find journal titles.

The **Western Pacific Region Index Medicus (WPRIM)** is a project of the WHO Western Pacific Regional Office in collaboration with several institutions in its Member States. This is the Region's contribution to the Global Health Library (GHL) initiative which aims to extend to all the benefits of the knowledge that is essential to the fullest attainment of health. WPRIM will be deployed and hosted, along with the index medici of other WHO Regions, at the Global Index Medicus portal under the GHL platform, where searches can be conducted individually or simultaneously through a federated search engine.

Goal

The creation of an online index of medical and health journals published in Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region which can be accessed on the Internet thus ensuring global accessibility of medical and health research done in the Region.

Objectives

1. To index selected medical/health journals in Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
2. To create a bibliographic database containing records linked to their full text.
3. To raise the level of journal publishing in Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region through a peer-review system.
4. To build the capacity of participating health institutions.

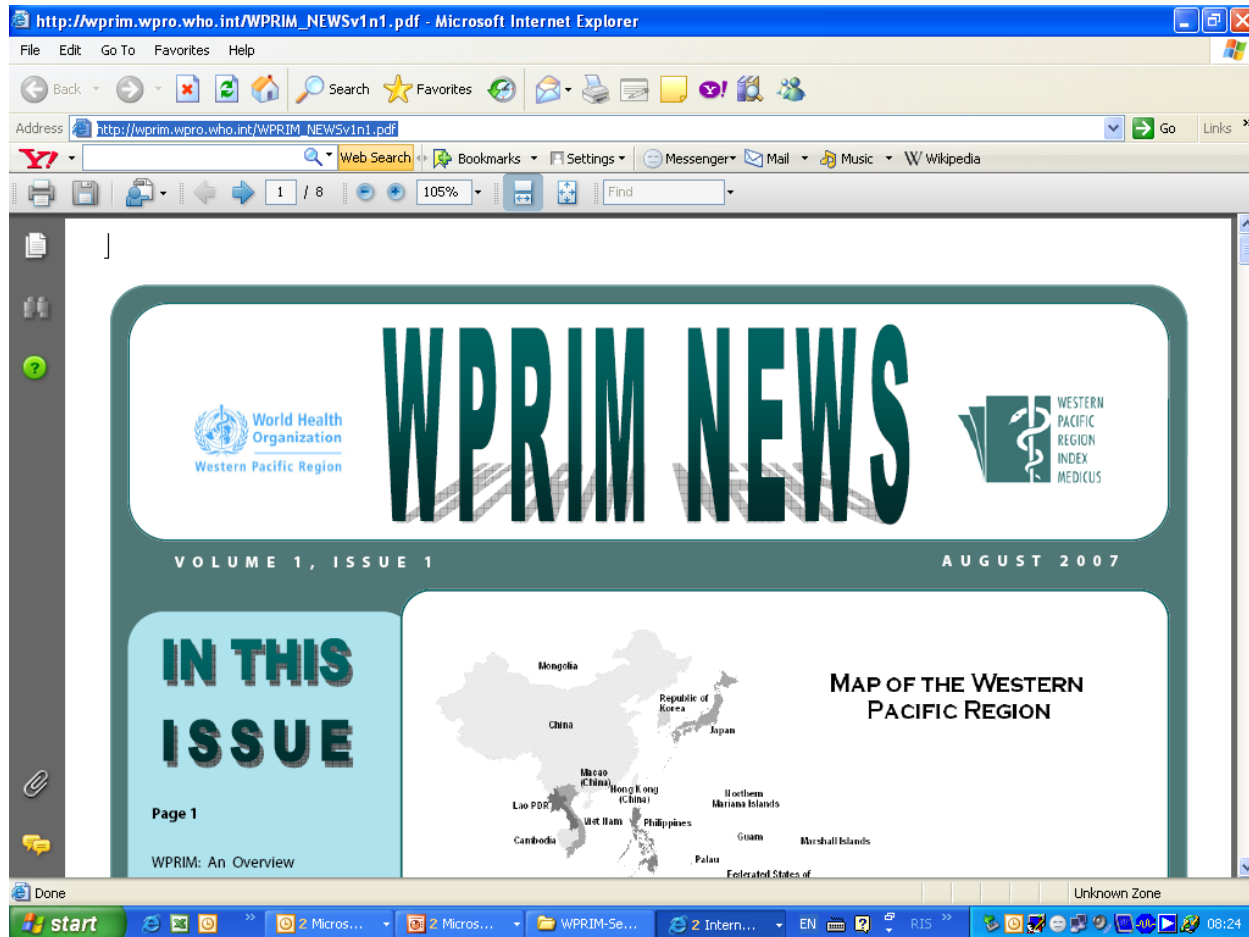
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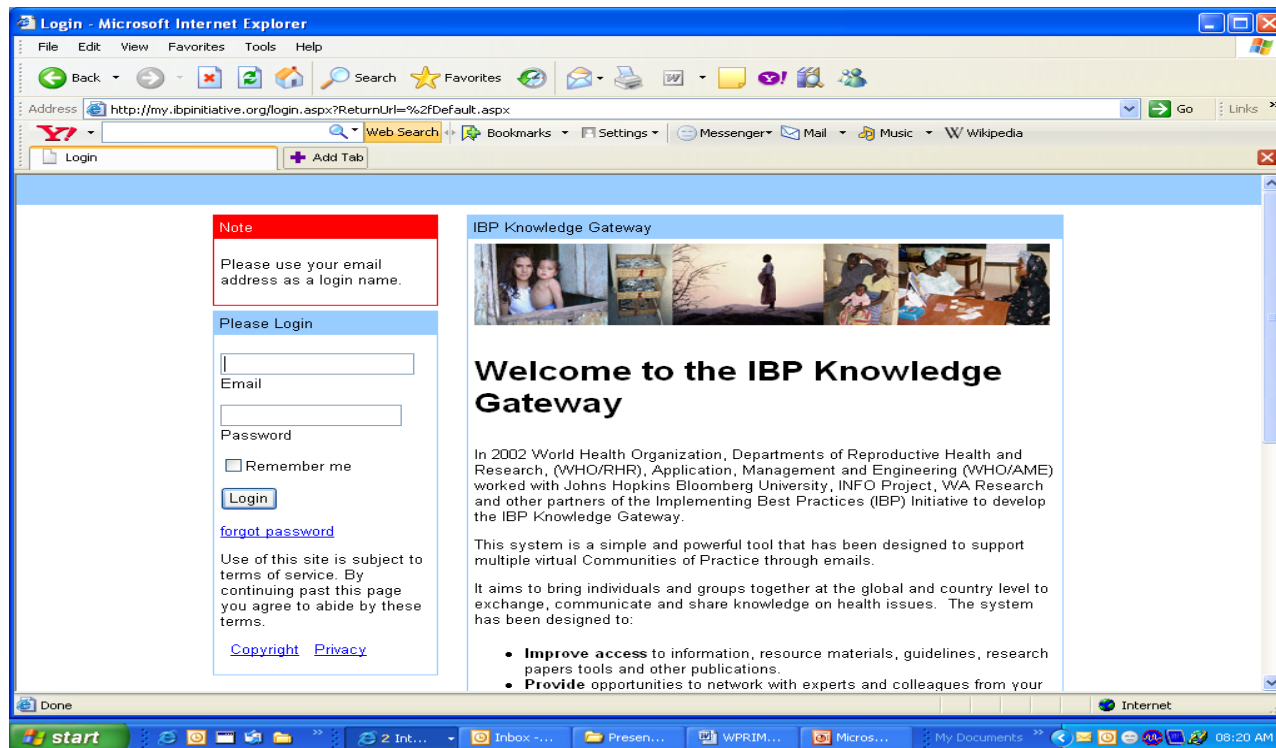
The first issue of the WPRIM Newsletter is published and distributed by print and on-line.

(http://wprim.wpro.who.int/WPRIM_NEWSv1n1.pdf)



The **WPRIM Community site** hosted by the WHO-IBP (Implementing Best Practice) Knowledge Gateway is active in the exchange of communication and sharing of knowledge. Total number of registered members at present is 48.

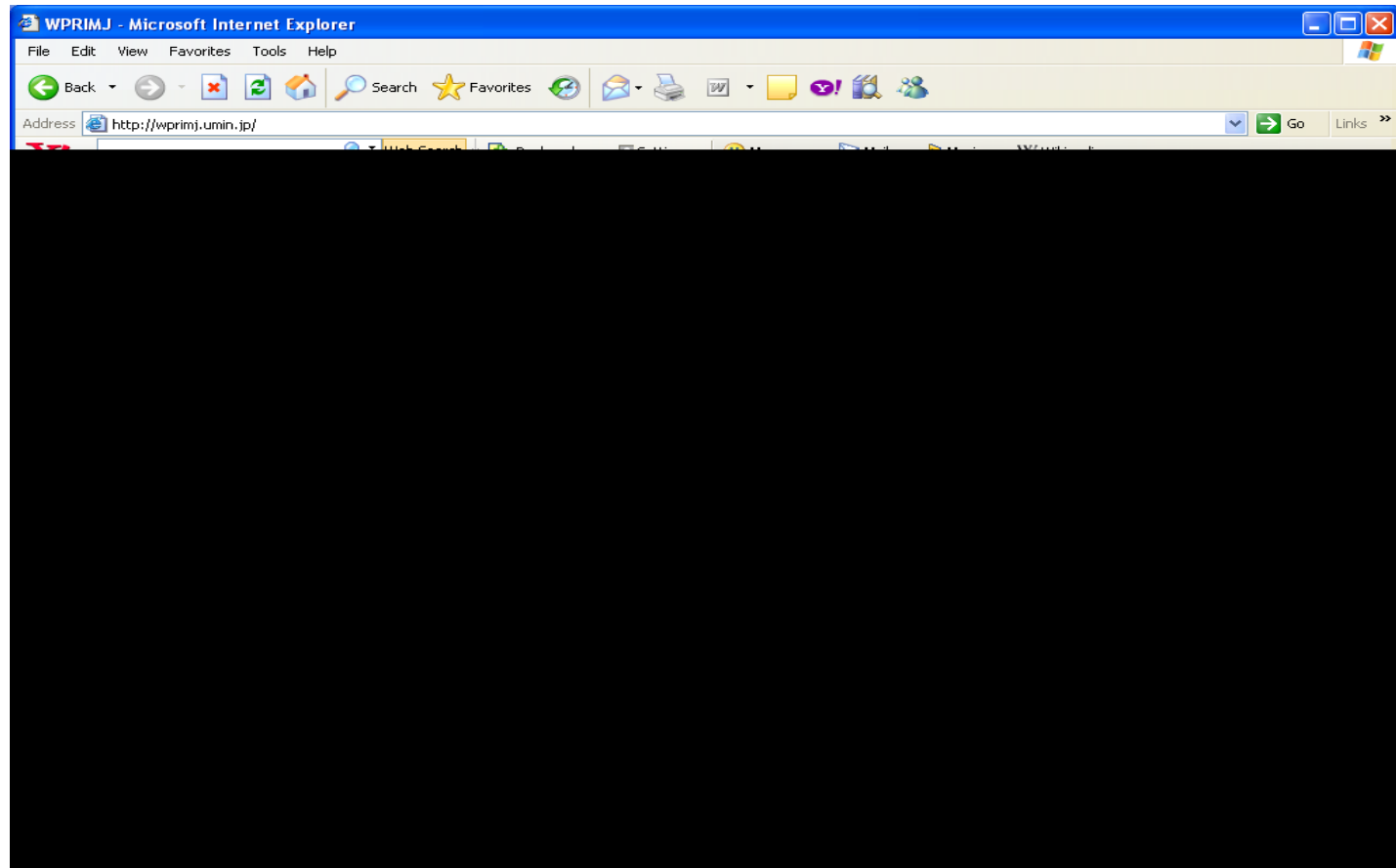
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The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer browser window displaying the login page for the WPRIM Community site. The address bar shows the URL: <http://my.ibpinitiative.org/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2FDefault.aspx>. The page features a login form on the left with a red "Note" box stating: "Please use your email address as a login name." Below the note, the form includes fields for "Email" and "Password", a "Remember me" checkbox, and a "Login" button. A "forgot password" link is also present. To the right of the login form, there is a section titled "IBP Knowledge Gateway" with a banner image showing people in a meeting. Below the banner, the text reads: "Welcome to the IBP Knowledge Gateway" and "In 2002 World Health Organization, Departments of Reproductive Health and Research, (WHO/RHR), Application, Management and Engineering (WHO/AME) worked with Johns Hopkins Bloomberg University, INFO Project, WA Research and other partners of the Implementing Best Practices (IBP) Initiative to develop the IBP Knowledge Gateway." It further states: "This system is a simple and powerful tool that has been designed to support multiple virtual Communities of Practice through emails. It aims to bring individuals and groups together at the global and country level to exchange, communicate and share knowledge on health issues. The system has been designed to:" followed by two bullet points: "• Improve access to information, resource materials, guidelines, research papers tools and other publications." and "• Provide opportunities to network with experts and colleagues from your". At the bottom of the browser window, the Windows taskbar is visible, showing the Start button, several open applications, and the system clock displaying 08:20 AM.

The **Japanese National Committee for WPRIM** (WPRIMJ) has also opened their website last March 2007 for purposes of WPRIM advocacy in Japan.

<http://wprimj.umin.jp>





WPRIM SERVER

- WHO/WPRO have just acquired a new Dell Power Edge 2900 Server. The new server will accommodate the database requirements of WPRIM.



KCDC SUPPORTS WPRIM

- Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Korea Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (KCDC) and WHO for the support of the implementation of the WPRIM Project during the next biennium.



ASIA PACIFIC ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL JOURNAL EDITORS (APAME)

- APAME was established during the 2nd Meeting on the Western Pacific Region Index Medicus in Seoul, Republic of Korea in November 2007.
- First organizational meeting and official launching will be held in May 2008 in Seoul, Republic of Korea.
- Temporary office will also be in Seoul.



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SECOND MEETING ON THE WESTERN PACIFIC REGION INDEX MEDICUS

Hoam Faculty House Convention Center
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