



## BABY STEPS, GIANT STRIDES

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This is the second time we are releasing a joint editorial from journals all over the world in the call for action to address climate change. The COVID-19 pandemic has caught the world unaware despite the progress in science; majority did not take the warnings of a looming pandemic. With climate change, its impact on infectious diseases will not be any gentler as the hazards are too numerous. From increased transmission of infections, expansion of infections to other geographic areas and emergence of new infectious diseases. This would be gargantuan compared to a pandemic as this would not only involve one infectious disease but numerous and would impact every aspect of the world we know. Joining this call for action is a baby step, but no action is too small in whatever way we can to help ensure a better Earth for our younger generation.

Our giant stride for this issue comes with the news that our published articles will now have digital object identifier (DOI). The Pediatric Infectious Disease Society of the Philippines Journal is proud to announce as we join the more than 10,000 organizations that assigns DOI names. The DOI is a unique alphanumeric string assigned by an international registration agency and will provide persistent identification of our articles. This will make our published articles easy to find, cite, link, assess and reuse, thus making scholarly communications more effective. Likewise, this increases opportunities for transparency in scholarly works. Technology has changed publishing dramatically and keeping up with this from the local forefront is not easy. We believe that we will be closer to the realization of making our local publications more visible and discoverable by a wider audience with this giant stride.

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