Throughout my career, it has been my experience that orthopedic surgeons enjoy observing surgeries performed by their colleagues. At many of our academic courses, the most popular part is the live surgery demonstrated by master surgeons who teach us how they deal with common and uncommon surgical challenges. Over the years, I have had the wonderful opportunity to visit many surgeons from around the world and to host many of them at Beth Israel Medical Center in New York City. I always come away with a tip on how to perform all or part of an operation or a unique, new technique to use in the treatment of my patients.

More than a decade ago, I suggested to Robert D. D’Ambrosia, MD, our Editor-in-Chief, that we add a new section to ORTHOPEDICS that would present our readers with the innovative surgical techniques surgeons worldwide were developing and perfecting. We would solicit articles from surgeons who had unique and successful operative methods to solve clinical problems that orthopedic surgeons deal with every day. That idea became the journal’s Tips & Techniques department, the first dedicated section of its kind in a major orthopedic journal. The Tips & Techniques department is a staple of ORTHOPEDICS and is an international forum for creative ideas and innovation in surgical techniques.

Now, the power of the Internet affords all of us instantaneous access to information. We believe that a natural evolution of Tips & Techniques would be to offer Web-based video vignettes. I am pleased to announce that beginning with this month’s issue, we are now soliciting and offering Tips & Techniques articles with videos. Of course, we still encourage authors to submit articles without videos, but they will now have the ability to enhance their manuscript submissions with the inclusion of clinical videos to more clearly convey their surgical procedures.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing your techniques in action.