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In 2016, digitization of the 30 years of back issues was completed. There are now over 3700 full text open access articles available on the journal website. Also in 2016, PNB was selected for inclusion in PubMed Central® (PMC). PMC is a free archive of biomedical and life sciences journal literature at the U.S. National Institutes of Health's National Library of Medicine (NIH/NLM). The two most highly accessed articles published in 2017 covered topics related to status epilepticus [4] and migraine [5].

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