

Editorial

Greetings from Chettinad Health City!

I have the privilege of writing the editorial for this issue of the journal. The greatest strength of the Journal, I believe resides in the ability of the editorial team to plan "Inclusive growth" and take the journal to newer heights. The current issue focuses on the field of Otolaryngology.

The perspective article on use of Mesh in prolapse surgeries should be lauded for the innovative title and the fine line it treads. The author has taken a critical look on a subject which most surgeons consider sacrosanct and beyond debate. An excellent Mesh cannot overcome inadequate training and poor surgical technique.

The first original article on use of endoscopy in Tympanotomies and subsequent Tympanoplasties adequately highlights the inherent advantages of an Endoscope and emphasizes the fact minimally invasive surgeries is the future in any surgical specialty.

Allergic rhinitis in majority of patients can be medically treated. Recalcitrant Allergic Rhinitis remains a challenge. Posterior Nasal Neurectomy as demonstrated in the second original article does show an initial promise in treating this subject.

The review article on Stapes surgery for Otosclerosis eloquently traces the long way we have come in surgical technique. Vertigo continues to be a problem affecting all age groups and its management still confounds.

The review article on pharmacotherapy for vertigo is well written and proves there is no substitute for competent clinical examination. The article on Vestibular schwannomas combines review with the authors single institute experience in treating these tumours with a hearing preserving surgical approach. The articles on Short Implants and Biodentine material provide good insight into emerging alternatives.

The Case reports demonstrate the importance of competent clinical examination and judgement. The field of medicine is akin to an evolving organism and "Expect the unexpected" should be the Mantra.

The article on reading a journal is a must read for postgraduates in training and considering the research output in India, probably for all medical faculty. Pages from history brings out a few astounding facts. Chiari between 1876 - 1916 published nearly 180 articles. Every illustrious person in history irrespective of the time period had a personal drive surpassing their peers.

The journal concludes with an interview with Dr.B.M.Hegde presenting an alternate view on how current research should proceed. The article by Dr John Ioannidis quoted by Dr Hegde holds the distinction of being the most downloaded from PLoS.

Several distinguished careers have been launched by journals. It is our sincere hope that this journal would serve as a credible platform to launch the careers of the academics who saw it fit to publish their articles.

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