Editorial

It is my pleasure to meet all of you through this issue of the journal.

The whole universe spins on an invisible balance between two forces. The continuation of the human race is not an exception to this rule. The contribution from male and female is essential for a healthy progeny. Though the females are commonly blamed for infertility, it is a fact that male factors are equally contributory. The original and review articles in this issue focus on male factor ranging from congenital factors to environmental factors.

Mobile phones have become ubiquitous and the article on impact of mobile phones on the ejaculated sperm parameters highlights the harm it may pose to male fertility. The article on impact of life style and environmental factors on semen parameters further expands ones knowledge on the importance of life style modification and creating awareness regarding the avoidable factors in male infertility. While the article on leucocytospermia reassures us about the lack of correlation between the presence of leucocytes in semen and infective pathology, the one on undescended testes hypothesizes on the possibility of an abnormally developed testes causing its own maldescent. The original article on the predictive capacity of the sperm parameters in IUI success reiterates how implementing WHO 2010 criteria for morphology can actually help in decision making regarding treating patients with IUI or ICSI.

There is an array of interesting case reports which highlights the importance of being alert, high in clinical acumen and the need to keep other disciplines in the loop while dealing with uncommon situations.

It befits this journal issue focusing on infertility to include the history of evolution of Assisted Reproductive Technology in India and the personalities who shaped up this history. The history makes us feel proud as Indians, considering the remarkable achievements made by Dr.Subash Mukerjee and Dr.T.C.Anand Kumar. Let us salute them.

In the "Dialogue with the stalwart" section—Prof.B.N. Chakravarty delves in to the depths of infertility and also defines the quality of a best teacher.

News and views is a new addition and this month's issue deals with the promise of vaccinology which is an unbiased opinion on existing practical need for further research in this field and the need for universal coverage. Interesting Medical updates complete the issue.

Relish the feast of knowledge and give us your feedback so that we can improve further.

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