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FROM EDITOR'S DESK



Dear Colleagues,

Helicobacter is the causative agent in 75% cases of peptic ulcer. Due to complexity of host-pathogen interaction, there remains an incomplete understanding of the circumstances leading to disease development. An editorial by **Prof. P. Kar** on 'Helicobacter & peptic ulcer', has brilliantly highlighted, some of the recent developments pertaining to this issue. I am really grateful to Prof. P. Kar for agreeing to our request at a short notice. Significance of Helicobacter causing peptic ulcer perforation, has been thoroughly investigated in a research paper from Jammu published in this issue. An interesting observation on a novel minimally invasive treatment called 'EndoBarrier' has been nicely projected by David Hakim and his associates as an alternative to Bariatric Surgery.

Several original research papers and case reports published in this issue will be of immense interest to the readers of JIMSA. An update article on '**Simultaneous Pancreas-Kidney (SPK) Transplantation**' to treat End-Stage Renal Disease and Diabetes, by **Nadey S. Hakim**, elaborates some important points and highlights the facts that SPK transplantation is the best option for Type-I diabetic ESRD which makes the patient independent of both insulin and dialysis treatment.

The present issue contains a symposium on '**Imaging in Women**' edited by '**Dr. Rajul Rastogi**', an upcoming expert in radiology. The Symposium focuses on imaging of some of the important conditions seen amongst women. It also discusses indications, interpretations, limitations of this important diagnostic tool specially in women and provides a focussed discussion on various imaging modalities in diseases which effect females, in their reproductive and post-menopausal age. Dr. Rustogi deserves appreciation for the effort put in by him to edit and compile the symposium.

P. D. Gulati

JIMSA BEST PUBLISHED ARTICLE AWARDS 2016 - DECLARED

The following articles have been selected for the "*JIMSA Best Published Article Awards – 2016*" as per ranking given below:

Rank 1: *Estimation of Viability of Grafts after Parathyroid Autotransplantation in Total Thyroidectomy*

Himagirish K. Rao, M. Chandrasekaran, Sucharita Vedachalam

Rank 2: *A Study of Association of Hyperuricemia with Progressive Diabetic Nephropathy*

N. S. Neki, Himanshu Gupta, Ramraj MEena, Tamil Mani

Rank 3: *Inflammation and Erythropoietin Hyporesponsiveness - Role of Pentoxifylline - An Anti TNF- α Agent*

Nitya Nand, Virender Chauhan, Shashi Seth, Savio Dsouza

Each award consists of a medal, citation and cash prize: The awardee is required to preferably receive the award at the forthcoming IMSACON 2016 being held on October 6-8, 2016 at Hotel Le Meridian, Mauritius.

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In case the awardee is unable to attend IMSACON 2016, he/she should intimate the Editor, JIMSA, accordingly.

Editor