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Dear Colleagues

Radiation Therapy has evolved as a useful modality for providing care to the cancer-affected patients. This therapy not only offers almost complete cure in early stage of cancer but also a satisficatory palliation in advanced malignancy; this has largely been possible due to rapid advances in computer technology.

I take pride in presenting to you this special issue on '**Advances in Radiation Oncology**'. I am indeed grateful to **Dr. Tejinder Kataria**, a senior oncologist at the premier cancer Institute at New Delhi, for having personally seen that a high standard of the articles is maintained; the selection of the topics is well planned. Pains-taking effort put in by the team of experts must also be appreciated. The issue amply highlights the latest techniques and treatment advances in the field of radiation oncology; I am confident this publication will be of immense interest to those interested in this field.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all the members of editorial/advisory boards for their fruitful suggestions, cooperation and help rendered at various stages of the compilation of this issue. I am thankful to all the advertisers without whose help this publication would not have been possible.

P.D. Gulati

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