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Dear Fellows and Members,

Let me express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all fellows, members especially the Mayo foundation, the Mayo Clinic, Dr. Harvinder Luthra and his colleagues in making the IMSACON-2004 with the theme "Genomic Proteomic - a new revolution in medicine" a grand success. It was indeed an intellectual revolution for the delegates.



The use and abuse of antimicrobial agent is a global problem. Countries with stringent criteria, the problem still exist. Medical fraternity has to be periodically updated on the antimicrobial strategies to primary physicians through CME and other media.

Our efforts should be to educate and reeducate at primary physicians level, the various do's and don'ts to ensure the drug policy. The infrastructure for the proper testing must be made available at the primary level. The WHO guidelines booklet on microbial diagnostics will readily help the physicians. The real test of the system is at times of epidemics, like the one we had, ie Pasteurella pestis, SARS, BSE, AIDS and Ebola. In all these situations good policies help human being.

As we conquer more microbes, newer ones throw further challenges to be solved.

**Dr. K. Jagadeesan,**  
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