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FROM EDITOR'S DESK

Dear Colleagues,

Of over 50 million annual global deaths, 26% occur due to microbial infections; this figure is much higher for India i.e. approximately 50%. The Concept of Prophylactic use of antibiotics particularly in surgical patients has evolved over the last five decades. This practice has led to significantly improved outcome, **Prof. Brij Bhushan Agarwal**, in editorial has quite brilliantly highlighted some of the important facets of their use in surgical cases; I am indeed grateful to him. Included in this issue are a number of original research papers and case reports from different disciplines of medicine which will be of great interest to the readers. An update article on Staged Surgical Management of Rheumatoid Arthritis of Wrist is published in this issue in which the author has elaborately dealt with this very challenging subject.

This issue contains **Symposium** on “**Pain Management : Current Trends**” compiled and edited by **Dr. Neeraj Jain**. The concept of having ‘Pain-Clinic’ in Multispeciality hospital is extremely well thought of, because an effective management of difficult painful conditions belonging to the specialities of orthopedics, neurology, oncology, is possible only through well co-ordinated efforts of specialists possessing knowledge and skills to diagnose and treat pain. I am indeed very grateful to Dr. Neeraj Jain and other contributors of the Symposium for exhaustive and illustrative write ups on the subject.

I am confident that the readers of JIMSA will find the scientific contents quite informative and useful.

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JIMSA BEST PUBLISHED ARTICLE AWARDS 2014- Announcement

Journal of International Medical Sciences Academy has instituted award for **three (3)** best original articles published during the previous 3 years; **guidelines** are as below:

- (1) **Original articles** belonging to any discipline of medicine published in JIMSA during the previous one year.
- (2) Number of awards: Three (3) annually, carrying a gold plated medal, citation and cash prize (**1st: Rs. 5000/-, 2nd: Rs. 3000/-, 3rd: Rs. 2000/-**)
- (3) Awardee should preferably be a fellow/member of IMSA; non-fellows/ non members can also be considered for the award if the original work is outstanding; and if selected for the award will be required to apply for fellowship/membership of IMSA.
- (4) Awardees should preferably plan to receive the award at the forthcoming annual **IMSACON 2014**.

Editor