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This issue on *'Obesity : New Challenges'* focuses on a number of important subjects related to this topic. I sincerely thank **Prof. Richa Dewan**, Head of Department of Medicine, Maulana Azad Medical College, for offering her services as a Guest Editor of this valuable publication. Her keen interest and pains taking efforts in bringing out this very informative issue, deserves all the appreciation. No doubt, it has been a commendable task achieved by her. This issue includes wide ranging subjects, contributed by a galaxy of eminent experts. I am confident, readers of JIMSA will find this publication of immense benefit and will most certainly like to preserve a copy in their personnel reference libraries. Dr. Richa Dewan has really worked hard in the compilation of this exhaustive collection of scientific material; I extend my grateful thanks to her once again and also to all the contributors of this special issue.

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