

From the Desk of the Editor

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In our Sixth year

Now we are in sixth years of our publication and I would like to thank the office of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology, it's Executive and Editorial board members for their co operation in bringing out the journal successfully even during difficult times. We have a good team who are working very efficiently to move on and more importantly to move forward.

Men build the Association. our IASO was started in 1977 by eminent surgeons from Indian sub continent who were like minded. Today IASO is well established, and certification and fellowship courses like Mch and DNB are also very popular courses for medical student community to further their carrier.

One such eminent man who was there, who had seen the progress is Dr. A. P. Majumdar from Kolkata. He died recently. I thought that this is befitting to a gentleman to dedicate this issue of journal to this great soul. He is responsible for establishing the specialty of surgical oncology in many institutions included teaching, Training and quality care to the patients.

I thank Dr. Anil Poddar for penning down the tribute, being colleague for few decades.

It is important for us to define our goals clearly so that we will improve publication status to improve the academic standing, and enter into global leadership along with other oncology journals. Recently we had a meeting with editor of European Journal of Oncology (Prof. Graham Posten, Prof. Audisio) and with Prof. Charles Balsch of Annals of Surgical

Oncology to come together and have a clear partnership in progress of oncology across the globe.

I see many challenges in the coming 2 years, but in these challenges there are opportunities to make a difference. Perhaps the main challenge may appear to be having too much that needs to be done. Our area of interest at presently prioritizing our objectives on improving the academic standing of IJSO.

I recognize and appreciate the members of IASO and non members who contributed to the development of IJSO. I sincerely thank authors, reviewer's who had spent their valuable time in helping us to bring the journal successfully for the last 5 years.

I appeal to all oncology trainees, residents, fellows and young faculty to get involved in publication process to enhance the academic standards for themselves and to the journal.

I intend to run the journal in more democratic manner and your constructive criticism is always appreciated. I am happy to mention that majority of the Articles published since 2 years is the work done by the members and not borrowed from the other journal. In this issue we have combination of various original articles, review, case reports and advanced technology. This issue also addresses the various interesting case reports and their management.

I congratulate Dr. K. Harish Prof. of Surgical Oncology at M.S. Ramaiah Medical College, Bangalore, and Special acknowledgement to Springer team headed by Dr. Naren Aggarwal.

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