From the Desk of the Editor

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We are now completing fifth year of our publication the years have gone by has been challenging and it took our collective efforts to improve the standard of the journal in the form of scientific contribution there is in overall good sprint in goodwill amounts in our members and it is our primary responsibility ensure that journal improves.

I really thank my colleagues in the editorial board and Members of executive committee and others concerned with Indian Association of Surgical Oncology in spreading the message of usefulness of publication to the young residents and practicing oncologists.

I am happy to write that since 2 years the number of submission to the journal is increased and self sufficient. Now we are not borrowing the article from Annals of Surgical Oncology. This issue highlights various aspects of breast cancer in relation to predictive bio markers in relation to Locally Advanced Breast Cancer which is well documented as it is a major Indian problem which can be addressed in relation to clinical utility.

We have also noticed the various unusual metastatic sites. The Association of Fibroadenoma and Van Recklinghausen's disease along with breast cancer is reported. This issue also addresses one of the randomized studies of Laparotomy Vs Robot assisted hysterectomy for staging of Endometrial Carcinoma.

We are paying a tribute to Dr. Thomas Cherian who was described as pioneer of cancer surgery in southern part of India especially in the state of Kerala.

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