

EDITORIAL

Luke warm response from the members of I.S.A. Karnataka State Branch in contributing scientific articles to the Journal caused delay in bringing out the second issue of the Journal. In spite of many troubles the editorial committee feels proud to keep this journal going. On the eve of the 50th Year of our Independence and 151st year of Modern Practice of Anesthesiology we the anesthesiologists, must participate in the endeavour to project the speciality as multidimensional field, second to none. In this regard work is needed in establishing comprehensive pain clinics, anesthesiology O.P.D. in the hospital, resuscitation training programs etc. The articles in this issue are aptly highlighting the highly neglected area of perioperative pain management.

‘Pain’, as Albert Schweitzer once said.” is a more terrible Lord of mankind than the death itself.”

Medical Scientists rather than directing their efforts in solving day to day problems

such as post operative pain management are involved in chasing miracle cures for rare diseases. It is heartening to note that in the past couple of (decades efforts are being made to understand the mechanism of pain, getting insight into the pain pathway, addiction problems, and unravelling the mystery of brain and mind itself. In the coming years these efforts will lead to better and superior pain relief techniques, not only to the patients in the perioperative period, but also to the chronic pain patients whose life is ruined by pain. Now it has been documented anatomically and physiologically beyond doubt that infants and neonates do perceive pain. The paediatric pain relief needs the same concern as in adults or rather special consideration.

Here is an emphatic appeal to you once again. As has been intimated earlier, atleast two issues have to be published in a calender year. To achieve this goal, we stress again, regarding your participation in contributing articles to the journal.

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