

## FROM THE DESK OF EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



Esteemed members of API,

I am sure you must be surprised to find JAPI in a new get up. March 2018 issue of JAPI marks the beginning of my second tenure as Editor-in-Chief of JAPI. I am extremely grateful to one and all in API family for having reposed faith in me and putting me at the helm of JAPI for second time.

As you are aware JAPI is the medium of communication amongst all of in API. Over decades this platform has served as a binding agent and a feeling of belonging to API everytime you see a new issue on your desk each month.

When I took over as Editor-in-Chief of JAPI three years back in March 2015 with blessings and support of the likes of Dr. Siddharth N. Shah, Dr. Y.P. Munjal and Dr. B.B. Thakur, I had some

tasks and goals cut out for me. Firstly, I started online submission for authors and online referee work to make the task easy for everyone. Secondly, apart from free website access to articles which was already available, I made JAPI available to all the medical community in their hands on the go by launching JAPI app on android and i-phone platforms. As innovation I added some other features in the contents of the Journal. Many guidelines and recommendations for various diseases were published to assist you in day to day practise. Also, series on 'Art of Writing' and 'Statistics in Medicine' was published which was well received.

Two years back MCI made it mandatory for medical teachers to have publications as Research Papers while getting promotions. Due to this coupled with ease of online submission, the number of articles submitted in a year almost went up three times. I had made every effort to raise extra funds, a difficult task, to increase number of pages to cope with this to publish more Original Articles. However, due to this Case Reports had to be given a back seat which

was commensurate with ongoing practise in international journals. I am trying my best to publish more number of Original Articles over last two years. I am also planning to publish soon a series on 'Ethics in Research' and 'Preparing Research Protocol'.

All this was not possible without the rock solid support I received from my Editorial Board team; referees and authors. I will specially like to acknowledge support given by Drs. Sandhya A. Kamath, Shashank R. Joshi, Mangesh Tiwaskar, Amar R. Pazare and Agam Vora. Also, I will like to put on record the full hearted support received from all the Presidents of API over last three years, namely Drs. Rajesh Upadhyay, G.S. Wander and B.R. Bansode. All the members of Governing Body of API, Faculty Council of ICP and Board of PRF also supported me all throughout.

With your blessings, I am confident of carrying out new term as Editor-in-Chief with great Zeal and Vigour.

**- Prof. Milind Y. Nadkar**  
*Editor-in-Chief*