

The changing face of the journal

These are new times for the journal. The new look journal has been revamped with a team of editors, an editorial assistant and dedicated office space. Much of the change has the future in mind; we are expecting a greater number of submissions of original research, now with the post-graduate training program, which requires mandatory submission of a research project by each graduate trainee. Because Colombo is the base headquarters for the SAARC Surgical Society, we also have the society's editor as part of our editorial team. This way, the journal is expecting to attract scientific surgical submissions from across the region.

Much of the infra-structure for correspondence with authors, referees and the review process has been firmly established and our team has been extremely busy getting this new face of the journal out to its readers. In keeping with the scope of the journal, we have a variety of surgical topics included in this issue, including an invited commentary from a local expert. We trust you will like it.

The editorial team wishes to thank the Presidents of the College for their vision to keep the journal alive, the single-handed service provided by the journal's past editors and, of course, Dr. Anuruddha Abeygunasekera for his efforts to have the journal available on-line.

We, the team, will ensure the quality of the journal improves and will work towards up-holding our mission, which is to improve the science and art of surgical practice in Sri Lanka and in the region. The journal encourages feedback and would welcome your comments in the form of letters to the editor.

With best wishes

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