

Dear friends,

A very happy new year to all the readers. New year brings new resolutions, new expectations and new commitments. We promise to eat healthy, exercise frequently and take care of ourselves to lead a more meaningful life, while striving to be a better clinician as well as a better person as each new day approaches. One should not give up the opportunity and will to learn, from others as well as from our own mistakes and experiences. Keeping that in mind, We shall also strive to share new knowledge along with safe practices in the field of ophthalmic anaesthesia and ophthalmology.

The year 2022 brought with it a wonderful conference in Madurai, all thanks to the organisers who ensured that it was filled with a splendid academic feast and excellent hospitality, and we hope to carry this forward in the coming years as well.

As we all know, Safety is of utmost importance in the field of medicine. In this issue, Safety associated with the use of 5% phenylephrine eye drops for cataract surgery has been discussed. Management of hypersensitivity reaction due to hyaluronidase in peribulbar block has also been highlighted. An article about accidental ingestion of an instrument during eye surgery has been included to make the readers aware of this possibility, so that proper precautions can be taken.

Patients, of various age groups, with various syndromes require elective or emergency surgeries. Anaesthetic problems and management related to eye surgeries in patients with paediatric syndromes with craniofacial anomalies has been discussed in this issue. More than 70% of ophthalmic surgeries are performed under peribulbar block. One should learn the correct method for its administration, which can be achieved by hands on Simulation training on a mannequin. A real time view mannequin developed for the first time, is explained in detail by the author in this issue.

We hope that this issue not only enlightens all the readers with the new and innovative techniques of anaesthesia administration in ophthalmic surgeries, but also increases their knowledge about management of complications during the procedures.



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