

EDITORIAL

Ayub Medical College, one of the youngest medical colleges in the country, is publishing the first issue of its Scientific Journal, the JAMC. It is yet another milestone and achievement in the short history of our college. For the past two or three years such a Journal was under consideration but for various reasons it could not be materialised. The President of Pakistan, General Mohammad Ziaul Haq, who takes keen interest in promotion of scientific knowledge issued a directive to three Medical Colleges of the country to bring out a Scientific Journal; Ayub Medical College was one of them, thus publication of JAMC became a reality.

25th December, 1987 was chosen as the date for publication of its first issue to coincide with the birthday of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah; the founder of Pakistan.

This issue includes four original Research Papers from the staff of our College. A comparative study of Cholesterol contents by Prof. M.A.J. Kamran et al; between eggs of indigenous hens and poultry farm layers will be of interest to egg consumers and mitigate certain misconceptions about the two types of eggs. Dr. J.A. Khan has presented his original research paper "Affinity Chromatography of Rabbit Gastrocnemius Alpha-L-Fucosidase" this research was done at Queen's University, Belfast. Dr. Tariq Saeed Mufti has presented a study on a common hospital problem of Nondeflatable Foley's Urethral Catheters and Evaluation of Deflation Techniques. 'Analysis of 400 Patients in Southern Iran' by Dr. Rahat-un-Nisa et al; is an interesting paper, because this problem is ours as well.

Interesting and unusual cases have been reported briefly by the consultants in the case reports. Recently we had at our College the Annual Conference of Pakistan Association of Pathologists. Dr. Amjad Sohail has presented its proceedings highlighting the presentations by distinguished participants.

There is an interesting medical quiz by Prof. A.K. Saeed which I hope will give you some mental exercise.

Dr. Ronaq Zaman has compiled some news and views for you in this issue. I hope you will find them informative and amusing. If you have anything to contribute to this section we will be pleased to have it.

Dr. Mohammad Hussain has written a Review Article on an important topic, the Nutrition and Infection in Developing Countries where MAL-NUTRITION is still a major problem.

I take this opportunity to thank our Principal, the members of the Editorial Board, the members of the Advisory Committee and the rest of our teaching staff who have worked hard to bring out the first issue of JAMC in time. I thank Mr. Sultan Khan for his secretarial assistance and also M/S Ferozsons Publishers, Rawalpindi for their cooperation and printing of this Journal in time.

Last but not the least I thank our esteemed readers, in advance, and hope that they will send us their valuable comments and criticism which will help us to improve our Journal in future. I also invite them to contribute their articles for future publication of JAMC.