Editorial

25 Years Of Pakistan Heart Journal

The year 1993 completes the 25 years since Pakistan Heart Journal was launched.

The expectations of the founder members of the Society must have been very high as the Journal and its executives are mentioned in the constitution itself. The fact that the most prestigious members were appointed to run the Journal is further proof of this.

Looking back over the 25 years, can one critically analyse the successes and failures of the Journal? It is difficult, but, should be done in order for the Society to chart an appropriate future for this very necessary venture.

The Journal has had problems, less of finance but more in the way of having quality contributions from the members. There have been years when no issue could be published. This was sad because at most times the only activity of the Society in between the Annual/Biennial Meeting was the Journal linking members and keeping the Society name alive. Thank God, the Journal has had uninterrupted publication since many years now and has had no major financial troubles since it received a generous grant.

Where should we go from here? I think it is absolutely clear that the Society needs to keep this Journal alive and well. This is the only major scientific activity of the Society besides the yearly scientific sessions. What also needs to be done is to actively support the Journal with submission of a large enough number of publications of scientific merit.

All said and done the Journal reflects the Society. Its problems reflect the problems of the Society. The problems of the Society reflect the problems of the medical profession of the country. The buck stops there!

Congratulations on the Silver Jubilee of your official Journal dear members of the Pakistan Cardiac Society.

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