

Editorial

From the Desk of the Section Editor (Abdominal Ultrasound)

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I am very proud to be a section editor of abdominal ultrasound for the *Journal of Gastrointestinal and Abdominal Radiology ISGAR*.

In my vast experience of more than 30 years in abdominal ultrasound, I have seen ultrasound, from gray scale to point of care, change clinical diagnosis to precise, near-pathological diagnosis. Enormous advances have revolutionized clinical confidence and vastly increased diagnostic accuracy. For example, elastography, microvascular imaging, and microbubble contrast agents have led to a paradigm shift in the practice of ultrasound. Ultrasound probes of different frequencies used for superficial to deep structures have improved the diagnostic accuracy of various conditions in abdominal ultrasound. Ultrasound-guided interventional

procedures such as intussusception reduction, abscess drainage, cyst aspiration, and biopsies have a tremendous impact on patient management. Screening abdominal ultrasound can now display abnormalities early, thanks to superior resolution, and contributes to early detection, treatment, and, to some extent, prevention of disease.

I sincerely hope that the Indian Society of Gastrointestinal and Abdominal Radiology (ISGAR) and its journal will publish a host of exciting articles and educative material that will disseminate knowledge among clinicians and practicing radiologists alike. I thank all members of ISGAR, editorial board members of the journal, publishers, reviewers, and authors for their invaluable service to society.

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