



# Editor-in-Chief's Message



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The time-honored tradition of publication of the Abstract Issue of the Journal of the Association of Physicians of India is much-awaited. It showcases the vibrant array of short paper abstracts to be presented by research enthusiasts at the APICON every year. This year is no exception. There are 713 abstracts in total, 115 oral presentation abstracts and 598 poster abstracts. It is heartening to note the heterogeneity of original work by our colleagues. It is important that a body of South Asian data emerges, as it is the need of the hour that practice guidelines be based on race, ethnicity, and social determinants of health that are characteristic of our subcontinent.

For decades, the JAPI has striven to maintain academic excellence for the upgradation of knowledge and skills, and the tradition has been kept alive by the current editorial team. The team has taken pains to arrange the abstracts subject-wise, and in this issue the poster abstracts will be displayed in the online version. The cover design has also been chosen by the team, keeping in mind the rich heritage of Bihar, with Patna being the venue of this year's national conference. I sincerely hope that APICON 2026 will be a grand success with Dr Narsimullu as scientific chairman and Dr Kamlesh Tiwari as the Organizing Secretary at the helm of affairs.

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