

EDITORIAL

Dear Readers,

It seems like only yesterday when we were celebrating New Year's Eve, but here we are eight months into the year. As we gather for the SAGES stand-alone congress together with paediatric gastroenterology and nursing colleagues from SAGINS, we have a lot to look forward to. Inflammatory bowel disease, eosinophilic esophagitis, a potpourri of liver, pancreatic and colorectal topics to state-of-the-art talks such as intestinal ultrasound – it promises to be a packed programme.

We are proud of our one-year anniversary for this 'new' journal, we are growing from strength to strength. We have decided to remain an African work only publisher, limiting ourselves to our reviewing and accepting manuscripts originating from our

continent. The number of submissions is increasing, and some of these can be read in this edition.

From our home soil we have a few articles, covering topics such as dyspepsia (a SAGES guideline), palliation of oesophageal cancer to new insights into bariatric surgery. I am sure you will find material of interest to you.

Not wanting to take up more of your reading energy, enjoy this edition. Your feedback and suggestions are always welcome.

All of the best,

Martin Brand

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