

EDITORIAL

As the year draws to a close, we reflect on what has been a busy but fulfilling year in the South African Gastroenterology calendar. Having just attended a successful SAGES stand-alone congress in Durban, it was exciting to see the interest the congress generated among members of the society, and the positive feedback received. We had excellent local and international speakers, including none other than Prof Nick Talley, whose book 'Clinical Examination' most of us read at medical school.



At our AGM we elected a new council, with representation from academic centres and private hospitals. This partnership will ensure that members from the public and private sectors are

well represented by the society. In this issue we will hear about the work that has been done so far, especially with regards to major medical aid funders and reimbursement.

As we strive to encourage research in gastroenterology locally, we are also happy to see this growth in other parts of Africa. This issue contains a mixture of original research and review articles from here and afar. We trust that this will engage our readers and encourage them to submit their own articles to the journal.

Next year will be a big year for us as we partner with the World Endoscopy Organisation as they will be hosting their meeting in Cape Town in September. A reminder to all to submit your abstract directly to Endo26, before the deadline on 16 February 2026.

We trust you will enjoy reading this issue and welcome any feedback you might have.

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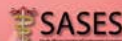
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