

## Editorial

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There is an increasing awareness about, reporting on, and literature about head and neck diseases and their management globally. No wonder, then, that this journal with its current scope receives work, i.e., very diverse. In this issue, on the one hand, we look at simple local flaps for oral reconstruction, while on the other, there is research regarding the evaluation of biopotentials for oral cancer diagnosis.

Dravid et al put across a good series on oral-buccolabial cancers and their reconstructions using local flaps. The methods employed are both elegant and useful. This manuscript underlines the use of simple flaps in such situations and provides valuable inputs to those practising in resource-constrained regions where free microvascular transfer may not be available. Even while using these simple elegant techniques, the oncological, functional, and cosmetic outcomes could be maintained.

Elsewhere in this issue, Irawati et al report the pathological and clinical data, with survival statistics of oral cancers in South East Asia. It would be worthwhile to know and compare the profile of head and neck cancers from across the globe; such regional contributions hence make an informative read.

Further, this issue looks at a novel electro-diagnostic method for oral squamous cancers. While early cancer diagnosis is the need of the hour, oral self-examination remains the simplest and most applicable tool. Newer methods will have to stand the test of bigger studies before they can be recommended widely. Finally, as usual, we bring a series of interesting case reports in this issue.

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