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EDITORIAL

From the Editor-in-Chief

It is on this note that I present the August 2023 edition of the Journal. It is heart-warming that despite the various challenges across our sub-region, including the difficult economic environment, the journal has been resolute in maintaining prompt and consistent publications. We acknowledge the continued support we receive from our publishers, authors, and editorial team members, and the inestimable contribution of our reviewers.

Our goal is to keep giving our enthusiastic researchers, authors, and readers a platform that is easily accessible, proactive and has broad local and international visibility. We appreciate the patronage of all contributing authors who have invested time and effort into the production of their work and have chosen to publish their valuable intellectual outputs with the WAJM.

I welcome the guest editorial article on the need to decolonize and diversify the medical training curriculum in West Africa written by Professor Friday Okonofua, a renowned academic leader and

researcher of international repute who served as the pioneer vice chancellor of the University of Medical Sciences, Ondo State, Nigeria.

In this edition, our readers will find a series of high-quality articles by various authors from across the different medical and surgical specialties. These include, among several others, the report from northern Nigeria by Ismail *et al* on the ability of cardiac computed tomography angiography (CCTA) to noninvasively assess the coronary arteries, which is a promising tool for early diagnosis of coronary artery diseases in our environment.

Ugalahi and co-workers also reported the outcomes of combined trabeculotomy and trabeculectomy among children with primary congenital glaucoma at a teaching hospital in southwest Nigeria while Onukak *et al* discussed a case report of monkeypox and chicken pox co-infection that was complicated by acute urinary retention. With the help of our invaluable peer reviewers, editorial

board members, and editorial staff, this wide array of articles have been reviewed and organized for dissemination to the wider scientific community and the general public. It is imperative to reaffirm our invitation to authors to continue to submit their full original research articles, case reports, review articles, and short communications to the WAJM as the platform for continuous contribution to the existing body of knowledge. We will keep striving towards improving the quality and promptness of our services and the satisfaction of our esteemed contributors.

On this note, I welcome you to this issue of the journal.

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