

Otolaryngology Online Journal

An Overview about the Otolaryngology Online Journal

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While thanking you all for the tremendous response and enthusiasm shown (without which a journal may not be complete) in shaping this Journal “Otolaryngology online”, may I take the liberty to request you to continue the same interest in the days to come so that it goes a long way for the healthy trend of sharing and disseminating the technical and clinical knowledge in the field of Otorhinolaryngology.

Let me further restate that majority of intriguing and challenging situations do occur in nonetheless hidden or the privileged society of the globe. These incidents even though should be shared so far is left in the dark for many practical reasons.

I really thank the online open system of publishing technology and also Prof. T. Balasubramanian, now working as the Professor and Head of the Department of ENT & Head and Neck Surgery, Government Stanley Medical College, Chennai for the hard work and open heart in publishing this as a free online Journal for the benefit of needy as well as for complete understanding of disease prevalence and various types of managements practiced in different situation and changing scenario.

This journal can be utilized in the same manner as any other journal for that matter. Getting familiar with the guidelines given and following them will facilitate a long way in the smooth upkeep of this journal. I thank you for adhering to the guidelines without omission. Interesting case studies, projects etc, in addition to the case reports will be published regularly. Hence this will be of great use even to the epidemiologists as well as research workers. Reporting of cases will become a regular affair as it cost nothing. With New Year 2012 fast approaching I wish you all successful practice and courageous reporting of cases in addition to the successful practice.

The article on “Rhinosporidiosis” is an excellent example of vast experience in a tropical situation. As indicated many areas need to be explored and answered. Super-nummery tooth, that too in the nasal cavity are sporadically reported, but they seek medical help only if it gives pain or other symptom complex arise. Complications are limited and can be managed easily.

Bi-coronal flap is an effective procedure with limited complication. Author has nicely demonstrated the usefulness and the methodology.

Lingual thyroid is mostly asymptomatic or otherwise not thought of. It mimics lingual tonsillitis or presents as vallecular cyst or neoplasm's of base of tongue. Thyroid uptake studies and ultrasonograms are useful tools if facilities are available before taking up surgery. Thyroid function tests should be mandatory pre and post –operatively. Fat graft myringoplasty is indeed has a definite role even in the modern age especially for minimal perforations of the tympanic membrane with controlled middle ear infection (inactive stage). Of course mandibular swing technique has been explained elaborately which will attract more attention.

With warm regards

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Dear Otolaryngologists,

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