

Preface from the Editors

Dear Reader,

It is our utmost pleasure to share with you the third issue of the 95th volume of the UTMJ. While life-threatening conditions remain among the most harrowing experiences for patients, their families, and even healthcare providers, the tireless work of multidisciplinary teams of critical care clinicians and researchers has saved countless lives and dramatically enhanced the care of critically ill patients. This progress has been the result of their commitment to tackling a number of complex problems, from ventilation and infection control to delirium and transplantation. In this Spring issue, the UTMJ would like to feature submissions that highlight research related to all aspects of trauma, emergency medicine, and critical care including but not limited to health policy, global health, mental health, clinical outcomes, basic sciences, and the social determinants of health.

We are delighted to present research on a variety of specialties pertaining to critical care in medicine, including emergency and intensive care. This issue features interviews with clinician-educators and clinician-scientists conducting research at the forefront of their fields including the world-renowned Dr. Avery Nathens, who shares his experience with

managing the largest tertiary trauma centre in Canada. In addition, we add to the understanding of geriatric intensive care, point-of-care ultrasound, and emergency mental health. We also share a tribute to the late Peter Munk, after whom the Cardiac Center at Toronto General Hospital is named.

It is in the spirit of advancement that the 2017-2018 UTMJ team has endeavoured to compile this issue. We would like to express our gratitude for the hard work and dedication of our diverse team of managing editors, associate editors, section reviewers, copy editors, the interview team, cover artist, and web developers. As always, we appreciate the generous sponsorships from our esteemed patrons. Last but not least, we would like to thank you, the reader – we hope you enjoy reading this issue as much as we enjoyed preparing it!

Sincerely yours,

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