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Letter from the Editor

Dear reader,

Welcome to the latest issue of the Medical Student Press Journal! It is my honor to share the work of my fellow medical students with you. This collection of reflective essays, poetry, and research explores diverse topics in medicine.

In this issue, an author thoughtfully shares her experience in anatomy lab, a familiar rite of passage for many medical students. Another piece reflects on the impact of Holocaust medicine on contemporary practice. A poem puts the reader in the shoes of a patient with a genetic disorder. An original research article examines the relationship between practice exam and USMLE Step 1 scores. Other pieces delve into the clinical and basic science behind opioid toxicity, mast cells in diabetes, and cancer of the gallbladder.

I hope you will gain new insight and inspiration from these works. A huge thank you to the authors, editors, and reviewers who have contributed to the creation of this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pallavi Dev". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pallavi Dev

Medical Student Press, Associate Editor
