



It is with great pride and expectations that we have ventured into publishing a Sri Lankan journal dedicated to Cardiac Science. The scope of this journal and the editorial policy is given elsewhere. We are of the firm belief this journal will be a strong platform and forum for cardiologists and other specialists alike to share their research and clinical experience.

I am confident this initiative has the potential to be an avenue of Continuing Medical Education (CME) with reference to cardiology and associated basic science for all clinicians in this country.

We have at our disposal a vast storehouse of clinical material and a wealth of scientific expertise, both of which could be successfully harnessed to make the Sri Lankan Journal of Cardiology a worthy effort.

The president of the SLHA, Dr M R Mubarak and its editor Dr Sepalika Mendis deserve credit for conceiving this project, and inviting the founder editorial team to compile the Sri Lankan Journal of Cardiology.

Dr Ruwan A I Ekanayaka
Consultant Cardiologist,
Editor in chief, SLJC



The Sri Lankan Journal of Cardiology has been a long felt need. I am confident that this journal has the potential to fill the void in the field of cardiology in Sri Lanka. We have so much wealth of clinical knowledge, experience and cases not being disseminated locally due to a lack of a suitable medium. Additionally our young doctors and trainees face an immense challenge in publishing their findings in international journals and local journals. All of this will soon get a solution through this endeavor. I would also like to stress on the key message that incidence of cardiovascular disease can only be reduced by sufficient primary prevention and this journal through its persistence and evolution will hopefully be a guiding beacon towards achieving that goal.

I take this opportunity to thank our authors for taking the time to prepare their contributions. We are heartened by their confidence in us. The enthusiasm and dedication of the associate editor Dr Mitrakrishnan Rayno Navinan warrants a special word of thanks and appreciation.

Dr S A E S Mendis
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As the incumbent president of the Sri Lanka Heart Association I am deeply honoured to write this message on this momentous milestone in the history of our association. I would like to present the inaugural Sri Lankan Journal of Cardiology (SLJC) as the official journal of the SLHA.

It has been a long felt need to have a journal to serve as a platform for dissemination of information among the cardiovascular community in Sri Lanka. The journal will primarily aim to publish high quality material on all aspects of cardiovascular medicine to keep up with the fast developing field of cardiology. I hope this will definitely improve the quality of cardiac care in the country.

I would like to recognize the excellent work and tireless efforts of the editorial team who helped to bring this journal to fruition. I would also like to thank all the contributors for their interest. I encourage you to send us your invaluable material for future publications.

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