



Dear Colleague:

WE HAVE A PARTICULARLY diverse set of articles in this issue of the *Journal*, from immunizations to sick buildings, and from improving post-MI prognosis to another emerging pathogen. We hope some, if not all of these articles, are relevant to your practice.

■ **Cyclospora infections** (page 299)

As if we didn't have enough problems, new pathogens keep popping up. Drs. Gumbo, Gordon, and Adal review the epidemiology, diagnosis, and treatment of *Cyclospora* infestation, a "new" cause of diarrhea.

■ **Building-related illness** (page 303)

Buildings don't get sick, but they can make the people inhabiting them sick. Dr. Horvath reviews the "sick building syndrome," emphasizing the wide range of infectious, allergenic, direct toxic, and even psychosocial effects of agents people come into contact with in some buildings.

■ **Internal Medicine**

Board Review (page 293)

Headache can be frustrating to diagnose and even more frustrating to treat. Dr. Skobieranda describes an approach to migraine headache that should be effective for all but the most recalcitrant forms of this syndrome.

■ **Ventricular remodeling after MI** (page 319)

Drs. Popović and Thomas explore the value of early thrombolysis treatment in the prevention of infarct expansion after acute myocardial infarction. A full-color illustration compares the effects of early reperfusion, late reperfusion, and no reperfusion.

■ **Adult immunizations** (page 311)

Children aren't the only ones who need their shots. Drs. Long and Kyllonen review current recommendations for adult vaccination against a variety of infectious agents.

■ **Adrenal incidentalomas** (page 287)

What should the physician do when an abdominal CT or MRI scan reveals a previously unsuspected adrenal mass? Dr. Danese reviews the steps in the evaluation of the adrenal "incidentaloma".

■ **Alpha-hydroxy acids** (page 327)

Among the many poultices in the armamentarium of the dermatologists are the alpha-hydroxy acids (AHAs). Dr. Bergfeld describes the rejuvenating effects of AHAs on aging, dry, sun-damaged skin.

■ **Chemotherapeutic drugs** (page 331)

Drugs used in treating cancer have many possible toxic effects for which patients may consult their internists. Dr. Markman provides a brief review along with some suggested appropriate responses to ameliorate these.

As always, we are interested in what you think of the *Journal*, and your ideas for future topics. For those of you considering taking the plunge into writing for the *Journal*, our instructions for authors are on page 292.

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