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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The Tropical Journal of Nephrology has come a long way having produced its past three editions without much difficulty. The current edition is a special one since majority of the articles were by authors outside the shores of Nigeria. This has no doubt added to the Journal's international flavor and its reach in compliance with the aims and objectives of TJN

The problem posed by chronic kidney disease all over the world and the search for better modalities of treatment is well presented by the article written by an erudite Nephrologist from Sheffield, United Kingdom. The review is very robust in content and has shed more light into areas of future research in CKD. If we were to be able to define a cure for CKD, then the world would be a better place to live for many people who are prone to developing CKD.

The articles from Guinea provide useful information from that West African sub-region and more importantly the finding that a staggering 41.7% of the population in the HIV study had renal complications as it could further compound the problem of management of CKD. Nephrologists from around the world should therefore be prepared for this upcoming global increase in CKD from this direction.

The study on soya bean in rat model portends a good outlook for dietary treatment of CKD especially when this is extrapolated to human. Future research in this direction will expectedly provide a promising outcome for subjects with CKD in the early stage, more so in our environment where poverty has made the management of CKD even more difficult.

The report of the community survey of CKD is very relevant to our efforts at its control through appropriate strategies based on adequate knowledge of its magnitude and burden and its attributes. The results from the present study would certainly supplement available information in this area.

Overall, the vision of TJN is materializing and the readership is gradually expanding.

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