



EDITORIAL: Insights and Advances in Medicine and Surgery
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It is with great pleasure that we present Volume 4, Issue 2 of the Niger Delta Journal of Medical Sciences. This edition reflects our continued commitment to advancing medical knowledge and addressing the unique healthcare challenges faced by our communities. The manuscripts featured in this issue underscore the diversity and complexity of medical science, providing valuable insights into clinical practice, medical education, and innovative case management.

In this issue, we delve into critical topics that resonate within the Niger Delta region and beyond.

1. "Maternal Complications Associated with Delivery of Babies Weighing 4500 Grams and Above" examines the intricate challenges of managing macrosomia and the associated maternal risks, emphasizing the need for proactive obstetric care to minimize complications.

2. "Item-analysis of the multiple-choice questions used in the formative assessment of introductory posting examination in Medicine and Surgery at a medical university in Southern Nigeria" evaluates the reliability and effectiveness of assessment tools in medical education. This study offers critical insights for educators aiming to enhance student learning outcomes and ensure robust formative evaluations.

3. "Abdominal Pregnancy with a Live Baby at Term: An Incidental Finding at Emergency Caesarean Section for Type II Placenta Praevia

in a Private Healthcare Facility in Ebonyi State, Nigeria: Case Report" highlights the extraordinary resilience of human physiology and the pivotal role of clinical vigilance in managing rare and complex obstetric emergencies.

4. "A Rare and Fatal Case of Ortner's Syndrome in A Nigerian Infant" is a report of a rare cardiac condition which highlights diverse clinical presentations and the need for high index of suspicion among clinicians.

These articles collectively provide a rich blend of clinical research, educational innovation, and case-based learning. We are particularly grateful to the authors for their contributions, which align with our journal's mission to disseminate high-quality research and foster excellence in medical practice and education.

We extend our appreciation to our reviewers, whose rigorous assessments have ensured the integrity and quality of this issue. Their expertise continues to uphold the standard of excellence that our readers expect.

We invite readers to engage with these works, reflect on their findings, and apply their insights to enhance patient care and medical education in the Niger Delta region and beyond.

Warm regards,

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