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## EDITORIAL

### SECOND STOP

If the first was fast... the second will be faster...

This second issue from your new editors and editorial board is by no means fast but faster than the first one. Without any formal training on medical journal editing, this task is definitely overwhelming if not daunting. A noted medical journal editor once wrote and I quote "I hope that one day every editor gets some training before beginning work." And we began our work... we have to adapt to you, our reader's point of view while upholding the author's voice. More than checking a paper's spelling and grammar, we prioritize readability instead of merely coming out with a repository of data.

We decided to come out with an issue focused on a particular infectious disease for various reasons. First, this disease remains to be a scourge. Second, there are many aspects of the disease that remains a challenge. Third, we get quite a number of submissions about the disease enough to make up one issue.

TB or not TB? A question asked many times over in your minds, your clinical practice, in round-table discussions, local and international conferences and even in clinico-pathologic presentations. We wish we had the definite answer to this question whenever we are faced with it. Yes, this issue will be all about Mycobacterium.

The scourge remains centuries after it was discovered but the efforts are not wanting. From the Millennium Development Goals to the Sustainable Development Goals up to the WHO Global TB Programme and the Department of Health's National Tuberculosis Control Program, tuberculosis has clearly been a priority. Children remains at high risk and comprise a significant proportion. As there are many ways to skin a cat, we hope that this issue will be a contribution to the call for ways to end TB. We share the vision of a WORLD FREE OF TB.