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EDITORIAL

RACE TO THREE

We are on with our 3rd issue since we took on this task 3 years ago.

The number three spells mystery and magic. In the Biblical tradition, it symbolized wholeness, completeness, perfection. In the Chinese culture, it spelled luck. It is the first number to which “everything” was ascribed. It is the number representing the whole - it has a beginning, middle, and an end.

This is what this 3rd release is all about. There is no unifying theme to speak of, just a cacophony of medical literature drafted to perfection.

This issue takes pride in studies on vaccination programs – A Prospective Cross-Sectional Study on the Prevalence and Factors Associated with Seroprotection after Primary Series of Hepatitis B Vaccination and Compliance to the National Immunization Program of Grade 1 Students in a Public School in Manila.

Sepsis updates are in with A Meta-Analysis on the role of GCSF in Improving Outcomes of Neonatal Sepsis and Diagnostic Accuracy of Renal Angina Index in Predicting Acute Kidney Injury in Pediatric Patients with Sepsis.

Dengue is not to be missed with a study looking into The Relationship between Immature Platelet Fraction and Platelet Count among Pediatric Patients with Dengue Fever.

Lastly, in this era of multi-drug resistant organisms, we give you A Study on the Outcome of Children with Extensively Drug Resistant Gram-Negative Infection Treated with Colistin vs Other Antimicrobials.

May these writings, diverse they may be, contribute to your wholeness - enrich your mind, calm your body, and liven up your spirit -- just as organized noise turns into music and soothes the soul.

NOTE: There has been an erratum in the uploading of the paper entitled Serum Concentration of Pyrazinamide Suspension in Children with Tuberculosis: A Therapeutic Drug Monitoring published in the PIDSP Journal Vol. 9, No. 2, July-Dec 2005. Please find the correct link to the article as follows <http://www.pidsphil.org/home/2005-journals/>.