Editorial

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This quarter’s issue again carries a mix of articles that explore the current status of Radiology in our country and the world.

As usual, interventional radiology takes the lead, with articles on the management of issues related to hemodialysis vascular access and reports on biliary leak management, using glue and the percutaneous treatment of complex hydatid cysts.

Multidetector computed tomography (CT) has made a difference in many organ systems and in this issue, two articles, respectively, explore the non-coronary applications of cardiac CT and the role of 64-slice CT, in patients with obscure gastrointestinal bleeding.

The use of breast magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is slowly increasing, and this issue features an article addressing the issue of the contralateral breast in patients with recently diagnosed cancer, given that bilateral and multifocal cancer is a known problem.

An interesting letter explores the potential medicolegal impact of not having synchronized time on all radiology devices and scanners.

The next issue will focus on the Pre-Conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques (PC-PNDT) Act and its ramifications within the country. Spearheaded by Dr. Sanjeev Mani and Dr. Jignesh Thakker, all these articles will explore the current issues facing practicing radiologists and sonologists.

There was an editorial published in the May 2011 issue of the Indian Journal of Radiology and Imaging (IJRI), written by me, which affected the sentiments of some of our Radiology colleagues who are Diplomate of National Board (DNB) examiners. The intent of the editorial was to draw attention to the plight of the DNB students — in the process, if I have hurt any individual, I would like to render an unconditional apology for the same.