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Dawn of a new day

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Let me take this opportunity to welcome you to this inaugural supplement of *The Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery – British Volume* which includes timely and relevant topics in hip and knee reconstruction presented at the 28th Annual Current Concepts in Joint Replacement® (CCJR) - Winter meeting held in Orlando, Florida, USA last December.

CCJR's unique educational meeting format has contributed to the hip and knee arthroplasty education of thousands of orthopaedic surgeons around the world over the last 30 years and the supplement serves as an enduring written extension of this continuing medical education activity. Its intent is to make aspects of the meeting's commentary available to the journal's global readership.

All papers have been peer-reviewed by the CCJR Editorial Advisory Board whose make-up constitutes contemporary thought leaders of the discipline. In this and follow-on annual supplements you will find commentaries related to topical practice issues of our day encompassing primary and revision hip and knee arthroplasty outcomes as well as surgical approaches, bearing material selection, fixation options, bone deficiency, joint instability, trauma, infection and patient management.

The meeting itself employs learning methodologies inclusive of paper presentations, debate, surgical techniques and discussions focusing on challenging cases where arthroplasty is an advocated solution as well as faculty peer-review of papers presented at recent international meetings. These stylised approaches are reflected in this supplement, which it is hoped will assist appreciation of a still very much evolving discipline.

No undertaking of this magnitude occurs in a vacuum or reflects the effort of a single person. It is without doubt that this supplement owes its creation to the dedication exhibited by Christine S. Heim, BSc and Karen L. Lizanich, BSBM of CCJR as well as the timely reviews of the Editorial Advisory Board.

It is my hope that the reader will gain from the experiences of the authors whose dedication to continuing orthopaedic education is reflected on these pages and sets a tone for enduring learning in our discipline.

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