Book/Journal Review
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A copy of the above journal, the Official Journal of the Ophthalmological Society of Pakistan was reviewed. We have been greatly impressed by the journal and wish to congratulate the rather impressive Editorial Board, for the product of their hard work. The copy we reviewed was the October, 1984 issue (Muharram 1405) Volume I, Number 1.

The cover layout is certainly attractive with the logo in the left upper corner. There is also a tower in the lower left corner. It seems to represent a monument but there were no explanations offered in the text (it may be a good idea for a future issue). However, a book or Journal should not be judged by its cover.

Inside there were seven articles, three of them were by the Editor, Dr. Khalid J. Awan. On the first page there is a picture of Dr. Awan with the President of the Country, Dr. Zia-ul-Haq along with a message from the President. In a scientific journal such pictures, especially in the initial pages, are hardly impressive and perhaps would be better relegated to the end or somewhere in a news report. Each article is well summarized and properly arranged. The print and photography quality are excellent. Even in an Ophthalmological Journal, I as a Cardiovascular surgeon could find an article that interested me greatly: “Temporal Arteritis and Polymyalgia Rheumatica.” This article was a review and is well presented. The author is to be complimented on the presentation. The other articles seem to have a good scientific content and were well presented. There were very few typographical errors and the layout was attractive. It seems that this first issue is indeed the result of the best efforts of Dr. Khalid J. Awan from Norton, Virginia. We sincerely hope that his personal effort in bringing this issue out will stimulate the rest of the Ophthalmologists of Pakistan to write and contribute to this Journal.

We wish the Journal great success and may Allah (S.W.T.) help in the process.


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