Foreword

This issue Volume 4, Issue 3-4; being the last for the year 2023 goes with the title "Getting Ready for One Health Approach to Tackling Global Health Insecurity". The authors in their review article expressed concern over the rising incidence of emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases along with attendant overwhelming antimicrobial resistance. They strongly believed that involvement of animals in these clinical conditions is highly possible and a holistic approach to healthcare combining both human and animal health could stem this tide. Also a rare case of dilated cardiomyopathy was reported in an 11 months old child who recently recovered from measles. The authors noted that measles is a rare cause of acute myocarditis though, health personnel managing children with measles should as well be mindful of this complication and hence assess and manage the heart properly. Â team of researchers examined the level of effectiveness or otherwise of mass drug administration in the control of urinary schistosomiasis in an endemic society. They found that mass chemotherapy did not completely stop Schistosoma haematobium infection in the community, hence prompting the need for other additional control measures. The interrelationship between nutrition and infection in the elderly was also studied. The authors found that elderly patients were predisposed to infection and malnutrition because of specific changes in the various tissue and organ functions and that, the ability to take in nutrients by the elderly decreases to a larger degree, leading to a negative balance in nutrition. They recommended a comprehensive care of the elderly to include proper nutritional balance as well as prevention and control of infections among others.

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