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Welcome to the inaugural issue of *Canadian Journal of Medical Specialties*. It is with great pleasure that I introduce you to our unique multi-specialty Canadian peer-reviewed journal.

This concept, while years in the development, was founded on a simple premise – that together we are stronger. It was developed in response to the challenges faced by so many in the medical profession, both individually and at the society level, and I like to think of it as the good thing that came out of a great deal of struggle. Some clouds do have silver linings!

I am grateful to my art director, Sherri Keenan, who was an incredible sounding board and creative support in the pre-launch phase of this publication. She was my voice of reason and my cheering squad, and I am so pleased that she will be managing the creative and production side of this journal.

Canadian Association of Pathologists helped give life to this journal through their ability to see its potential and their faith in Clockwork Communications. I am grateful for their belief in the concept. They are the very type of organization that I had in mind when growing this concept and I am so pleased to have them involved. I look forward to welcoming even more specialty organizations in the future.

And to our readers, always remember that this journal is for you **and** by you. It will only be as strong as its

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Regards,



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