## Editorial

What do pulmonary stenosis, perianal lidocaine gel, and malignant hypertension have in common? If, like I was, you are clueless when asked this question......don't panic......the odds are strong that you won't be asked this on your next anesthesiology board recertification examination! But herein lies the problem......our specialty of anesthesiology is rapidly growing and it covers a lot of ground......and what ground it covers given



that the specialty that was born less than 170 years ago! As I peruse the inaugural issue of the *International Journal of Anesthesiology Research*, I am astounded at the scope and breadth of the topics covered. After all, the basic science of the mouth-lung model of gas transport is a long way both theoretically and anatomically from the prostate!



----Problem And Opportunity----

The Ether Dome (October 16, 1846)

But fortunately, herein lies our great opportunity......the chance to bring together anesthesiologists from all the disciplines of our specialty to share their experience, research, clinical acumen, and insights with other anesthesiologists. It is the sincere hope of the Editorial Board that each member of the anesthesia community will view the *International Journal of Anesthesiology Research* as their own journal and will look to it as a source of contemporary knowledge and insight about the specialty. The Editorial Board asks that you share your interesting cases and thoughts with our readership by submitting case studies, brief reports, scientific observations, historical vignettes, and review articles to the Journal. We will you're your submissions a timely and thoughtful consideration and will endeavor to help you share your knowledge with others. On a personal note, I would also ask that whenever possible that you involve your students, residents and fellows when crafting your submissions so we can all help to start them on the path of scholarly endeavors and to allow them the immense pleasure of sharing what they have learned and discovered with others......for the good of all of our patients.

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