

From the Editor

Dear Reader:

I am delighted to include four pediatric papers in this issue of the *Journal*. Three original research articles evaluate devices to monitor coagulation status, hematocrit and venous oxygen saturation in this special group of patients. In addition, an excellent case study presents a patient with an unusual genetic defect of the coagulation system with guidelines for management during the perioperative period.

The *Journal* can provide a forum for pediatric perfusionists to exchange information. I encourage you to share your interesting case reports and research projects that address the special pathologies and needs of this important subset of cardiac patients.

Sincerely,

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Editor

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