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4 **The old and the new: an enhanced vision for JNA**

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6 The publication of this issue of JNA coincides with the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Society for
7 Neuroscience in Anesthesia and Critical Care (SNACC), and includes the abstracts that will be
8 presented at the meeting.¹ The mission of SNACC is to advance the art and science of the care of the
9 neurologically impaired patient through education, training and research in perioperative
10 neuroscience, and the Society's enthusiasm for, and excellence in, science enables JNA to be a key
11 partner in delivering this mission. That SNACC is able to attract 121 diverse and high-quality
12 submissions for presentation at its meeting reflects both its' broad reach and also the importance that
13 established and more junior neuroscience researchers alike place on this forum for presentation of
14 their work. Thus, I am encouraged by the enthusiasm of the SNACC leadership to develop further the
15 relationship between the Society and the Journal. This year, for the first time, the SNACC Annual
16 Meeting will include a 'JNA Year in Review' session, and I am grateful to the organisers for allocating
17 time for the Journal to be showcased and for us to debate how we can work together for mutual
18 benefit.

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20 Many of you have experienced first-hand the changes in the clinical practice of neuroanesthesiology
21 and neurocritical care that have taken place over recent years, and the key contributions that
22 neuroanesthesiologists and neurointensivists now make to perioperative neuroscience more broadly.
23 These changed emphases are reflected in the 2018 SNACC meeting program and abstracts, and it is
24 equally important that they become reflected in the content of JNA. To this end the scope of the
25 journal has been clarified and extended to encompass the whole of perioperative neuroscience and
26 related basic science, and to align more closely with the 'three pillars' of neuroanesthesiology recently
27 popularized by SNACC.² Specifically the journal aims to attract high-quality submissions in areas
28 related to clinical neuroanesthesiology and neurocritical care, foundational neuroscience of
29 anesthesiology and brain and spinal cord injury, and neurologic outcomes after non-neurologic

30 surgery and critical illness. You will see articles dealing with all of these topic areas appearing in JNA
31 during the next year.

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33 I anticipate that the new content will increase the Journal's relevance to its current readership, but
34 also hope that it will broaden its appeal. While the vision laid out by the foundation Editor-in-Chief and
35 Associate Editor in the inaugural issue of JNA - to bring together relevant information for
36 neuroanesthesiologists, neurointensivists and basic neuroscientists within a single Journal— is as
37 relevant today as it was in 1989,³ I believe that the Journal's content now extends beyond that original
38 target audience. However, for the Journal to develop and prosper I need to understand better the
39 needs of its readers and authors. Please contact me by email with opinions and ideas or, in person, at
40 the SNACC meeting.

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42 I wish SNACC and its members a successful Annual Meeting, and look forward to seeing many of you
43 in San Francisco.

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