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It is my pleasure to introduce the volume 19 of our ISHWM journal.

Volume 19 of the ISHWM Journal marks another milestone in our ongoing journey to promote the responsible management of hospital waste in India and around the world. In this issue, we are delighted to present an array of thought-provoking articles and short communications that contribute to our mission of enhancing the safety and sustainability of healthcare waste management practices.

A highlight of this volume is the original research article that delves into the cost analysis of two prominent technologies, microwaves, and autoclaves, for managing healthcare waste. Our commitment to knowledge exchange extends beyond the traditional, as we are pleased to share short communications that discuss a variety of essential topics. These include strengthening hub hospitals in the Kathmandu Valley, zero-waste models for sustainable healthcare systems, the establishment of global green and healthy hospital networks, and innovative solutions for safe and sustainable hospital waste management systems. These concise communications reflect the diverse and innovative approaches being adopted across the healthcare industry to address the pressing issue of hospital waste management.

The ISHWM Journal has always been a platform for scientific exchange and collaboration, and it is our hope that the content in this issue will inspire researchers, healthcare practitioners, policymakers, and other stakeholders to engage more deeply with the challenges of hospital waste management. We are making progress, but we must continue to explore new strategies and solutions to ensure the safety of our healthcare workers, patients, and the environment.

As we move forward, we invite authors, scientists, and experts to contribute more original research, studies, and scientific communications that can further enrich the evidence base for sound hospital waste management. We understand the significance of research in driving effective policy changes, and we actively solicit articles that shed light on emerging trends and innovative approaches in this vital field.

Furthermore, we encourage our readers to actively participate in our mission. Share your research, experience, and insights. Collaborate with peers, healthcare institutions, and government bodies to implement sustainable waste management practices. Our collective efforts can make a significant difference in reducing the environmental impact of healthcare facilities while ensuring the safety of all stakeholders.

In closing, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our authors, reviewers, and readers who contribute to the ISHWM Journal's success. Together, we can build a safer and more sustainable future for hospital waste management in India and globally. We look forward to your continued support and engagement as we navigate the exciting path ahead, seeking innovative solutions and driving positive change in the healthcare waste management landscape.

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