

EDITORIAL

The World Learns Together

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I write this on my return from China. I encountered inspiring expertise in microvascular surgery and replantation. Born of necessity from the high volume of injuries. Reinforced by a cultural desire to have five-fingers and an appreciation for any function possible. In contrast, the volume of microsurgery is waning in Japan and the United States where safety measures have markedly decreased such accidents. There is much to learn from cross-cultural experiences.

Another example is the near disappearance of multiple trauma from motor vehicle collisions in the United Kingdom and Japan. This accomplishment seems due to the combination of speed cameras and strict laws about

driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs combined with improvements in automobile safety.

The Archives of Bone and Joint Surgery might serve as a useful vehicle for sharing these lessons and “best practices”. This new journal seems like a miracle in the days of predatory open access and respected orthopedic journals that mimic them by charging for peer review. It’s listed on PubMed and free to all. My team has started to contribute to this journal and I recommend it to orthopedic surgeons and researchers worldwide. I congratulate Dr. Ebrhamizedeh and his staff on this fantastic accomplishment.

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