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Letters to the Editor



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From: Lone Gunilla Curtis, IRCT (Date: Mon, 8 Jan 2001)

Dear Doctor Anil,

Your internet journal is interesting - you always seem to be very busy! We would be only too pleased if you would mention our "Breaking the silence" CD. I have sent it to you by ordinary post today.
Please send me the link, when the description is on the net. Thank you and best wishes for the New Year.
Yours sincerely,

Lone Gunilla Curtis

From: Aleksey Yakovlev, IRCT (Date: Tue, 9 Jan 2001)

Dear Professor Aggrawal,

It was a great pleasure to acquaint myself with your journal. I have some articles suitable for publication in your journal. If to be a frank, it is my first experience of a contact with the foreign publishers. I need some time for translation of the articles. I have published in Russia the article devoted to histologic diagnosis of tortures by electric current.
I have also informed some of my colleagues to contribute papers to your journal and I trust you will shortly hear from them (certainly, if you don't object) Thank you for your kind invitation.
Best regards,

Aleksey Yakovlev,
Forensic pathologist,
Rostov-on-Don, Russia

From: Giusto Giusti (Date: Mon, 5 Feb 2001)

Dear Anil,

I'm going to visit your new site. Please visit www.legalandsocialmedicine.com, where your journal is quoted and linked. my other e-mail address is: gvgiusti@hotmail.com. I wrote to you for a project on age determination. As soon it is ready, I will send it to you for a possible scientific co-operation.
Regards,

Giusto Giusti
Italy

From: Ben Joseph (Date: Tue, 6 Mar 2001)

Dear Sir,

I am a practising forensic scientist in the state of Bahrain. I was impressed by your very professionaly maintained website.
I would like to know if you have any expertise in the chemsitry of putrefaction and the generation of amines and alcohols, at what times and levels these chemicals would be produced in a post death scenario. Your help would be deeply appreciated.
I would be glad if you could email me at this email or markhayyat@hotmail.com
Regards,

Ben Joseph
Forensic Scientist
Ministry of Interior,
Bahrain

From: Bill Sieglein (Date: Sat, 14 Apr 2001)

Dear Sir,

I am doing a research paper on biomterics for my masters final at Johns Hopkins University. I found Eamonn's paper on Fingerprints in your journal whilst searching for information on Sir Edward Henry. I found tremendous value in this paper and applaud it. I plan to reference this paper in mine. Thank You
Regards,

Bill Sieglein
Fortrex Technologies
Manager, Financial Sector Practice

From: Serge Larocque (Date: Tue, 17 Apr 2001)

Dear Sir,

I have read Dr. Jasuja's paper entitled: "POROSCOPY: A METHOD OF PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION REVISITED" and found it quite interesting. Although it is difficult to use pores on a daily basis during the analysis, comparison and evaluation of fingerprints, their presence is always noted and when they are reproduced in both the unknown and known impressions, they are taken into account and documented as third level detail.
Thank you for hosting this paper.
Yours truly,

Sgt. Serge Larocque, FFS, CSA
Forensic Identification Training Unit

Canadian Police College
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

From: Sally Edwards (Date: Fri, 4 May 2001)

Hello Professor Aggrawal!

I looked at your journal today and it is very impressive. I think it is wonderful that you have chosen to share your experience in such an easy to follow manner. I have attached the trade information to this message and if you want to browse through the congress website, it is on
http://www.vifp.monash.edu.au/inpalms2001/
I also went extensively through your website today and it seems extremely informative. I especially liked the humour and the quotes. Your own quote reminded me of the part of Desderata which reads "Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story." As you say, it must pay to exect the unexpected, even from the most routine tasks.
I look forward to hearing further from you if you have any further questions for me to help with.
Take good care!

Sally Edwards
Australia

From: Paul Wehn (Date: Fri, 18 May 2001)

Dear Anil,

I do remember you indeed and very much enjoyed your new and improved website. The reviews are extensive and the use of graphics is very impressive. I know of no other review media that does comparable reviews. Also, having the ability to sell the book on the spot is very good. I have only two concerns. You seem to do most of the reviews. Other people should do reviews too. I still don't like the name of the journal. Nothing personal, but very few reputable journals are named after their editor. It doesn't make a good impression. However, you have done a wonderful job.

Paul Wehn
Book Review Manager
Humana Press

From: Alex Reshetun-Belikov (Date: Wed, 23 May 2001)

Dear Professor Anil Aggrawal!

I have visited your Internet Journal of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology, Book reviews, Popular Forensic Medicine Page, and Anil Aggrawal's Forensic Toxicology Page. My point of view is - they are the best among all the forensic websites I have seen. Particularly, the following points seemed to be the most important:
1) The establishment of an International journal on many languages is very beneficial. Specialists from all over the world can find an interesting information for them on their native language.
2) Forensic pathologists from many countries take part in the work of your journal. Undoubtedly, this is an obvious example of the international collaboration and experience share.
3) Special words should be said about professionally made design and graphics of your journal.
4) Your Internet Pages are very easy in use.
Sincerely,

Alex Reshetun-Belikov

From: Pekka Saukko (Date: Mon, 11 June 2001)

Dear Dr. Aggrawal,

Congratulations on the success of your Internet Journal! It is quite an achievement if you get it indexed!
With best wishes,

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From: S Sivaloganathan (Date: Tue, 12 June 2001)

Dear Anil,

I am pleased and very happy for you in creating a journal on line. It is such a simple but great idea. Good luck with it. I shall try to oblige you with a paper or two as and when time and inclination pemits.
Incidentally my othe e-mail address (whic I use most often is as follows:-
SomaSivalogan@aol.com

Siva, Leeds, UK

From: Gyan Fernando (Date: Wed, 13 June 2001)

Hi Anil,

Had a look at the poster page. Excellent idea but a couple of minor criticisms. Firstly, Gupta's picture is not a close-up and unfortunately it could be roasted liver! I know that there is a limit to the resolution but my machine is less than one year old and if the quality is that...! If you can e-mail me a better pic I could have a look. You may even send it as a TIFF file. Secondly, in the decapitation case he refers to an "iron string". There is no such thing as an iron string in the Queen's Language. It is probably best described as a "cable" or a "hawser".
And, finally (and this is really nitpicking!). You should either use English spelling or American spelling. I refer to the use of "laborer" instead of "labourer". May be I am getting fussy in my old age but...
Best Wishes

Gyan
Home Office Pathologist for Devon & Cornwall, Devon & Cornwall Constabulary Headquarters, Middlemoor, Exeter, United Kingdom
Former Senior Lecturer in Forensic Medicine, University of Edinburgh
Former Senior Forensic Pathologist, University of Dundee
(*Thanks Gyan. We corrected the mistakes! -Ed.*)

From: Masahiko Kobayashi (Date: Tue, 19 June 2001)

Dear Professor Anil Aggrawal,

Your Journal is very interesting, and I will read it from now on. Thank you very much.
I read your journal and found an interesting story. I will go to Edinburgh in April 2002, and stay two years to learn forensic pathology from Professor Anthony Busuttil.
With best wishes,

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JAPAN

From: Linda Cordero (Date: Wed, 20 June 2001)

Dr. Anil,

I was delighted to locate your web page and found it very interesting and informative. May I suggest you prepare an index to topics, as it seems each volume contains material on numerous items. I am researching a case in which a homicide victim bit his tongue prior to death (this does not involve seizures of any kind) and wonder if you have any material on or related to this topic? Thank you for your help and for the excellent resource of your web page.

L. A. Cordero
Habeas Corpus Resource Center

N.B. Email links of all Email writers have been provided in case visitors want to get in touch with them for some reason. Some Email writers have provided us with their own website links, which have been incorporated too. Links to all papers and theses have also been provided when the writer has particularly referred to them.

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