

# FROM THE EDITOR IN-CHIEF



**D**ear Colleagues,  
As we move through 2025, there is a growing sense that the field of limb preservation is entering a new chapter - one that is defined by greater collaboration, sharper focus, and a deeper sense of purpose. This issue of the *Limb Preservation Journal* reflects that shift. It's not just a collection of studies, but a portrait of a field evolving toward something bigger: systems that prevent limb loss before it happens, care models rooted in equity and a global community that refuses to accept amputation as a foregone conclusion.

What stands out most in these pages is how far we have come in connecting the dots - between disciplines, between countries and between policy and practice. Across this issue, we see clinicians, educators, researchers, and advocates working together to build coordinated frameworks for diabetic foot care, especially in underserved communities. The emphasis isn't only on healing wounds but on reimagining how care is delivered.

Education takes centre stage too, and not just in the traditional sense, but through global initiatives and training programs that empower frontline providers in both low-resource and high-resource settings. When clinicians are equipped with knowledge and tools, outcomes change. Lives change. The impact is tangible.

Technology also has a powerful presence here, with AI stepping in, for example, to support more accurate and equitable wound assessments across diverse skin tones. It's a glimpse of how innovation, when guided by clinical insight and ethical design, can help reduce disparities and improve decision-making.

But perhaps what resonates most deeply are the stories - of patients who fought to keep their limbs, of clinicians navigating complex decisions, of missed moments and second chances. These are more than case reports. They're reminders of what's at stake. Limb preservation is never just about tissue - it's about time, trust and the quiet heroism of everyday care.

As always, we are grateful to the contributors who share their work, and to you - our readers - for continuing to engage, question, apply, and push the field forward. Thank you for being part of this journey.

We hope this issue informs and inspires.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ahmed Kayssi". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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