

Research reorientation

Wish the beginning of New Year brings in novel thoughts of relationships, health, and improved professional endeavors. Our best warmest new year wishes to the members of Indian Prosthodontic Society.

The early part of this century started with a buzz word of research in prosthodontics. The theme advanced significantly from the initial laboratory testing to the randomized clinical trials. A plethora of manuscripts and data have been published. Many investigations have justified and established newer ideas, but still a plenty remains unanswered and unexplored in prosthodontics.

In several situations, the newer implications abutted to replace the historic thinking and practice but in fewer incidences, it challenged the fundamental science. Many newer perceptions have questioned essentials. The views hurled when evidence based, and research documents blurred on the fundamental theories and clinical steps followed over the years. The older measures are replaced by newer understanding materials, it enhanced the science and the basics challenged, it remained a test for fundamental science. When the established thoughts were proven wrong, it raised qualms on the earlier study protocol. This happened to be alarming, or it can also opined that perception of misunderstanding. The solutions can be obtained by following more qualitative research with a definitive protocol. It becomes essential to develop and achieve the outcome with more justifiable contributions than quantitative fact. This direction will differentiate our research positioning and establishing prosthodontics science.

Research positioning ensures to build the scientific exchanges on distinguished foundation, and it is the best way to gain a distinctive, relevant place in the scholastic forum. The principles alike recognizing the benefits, perception, understanding, substantiating, evidencing, can present a successful outcome. Exploring the benefits of research and the marking its efficiency

is mandatory. Qualitative research predominantly with prolific end result aids in achieving this valuable position.

The researcher's numbers have increased with the constructive workshops. However, in contrast to our professional population, we are still behind. The research infrastructure had significant developments and funds available plenty to build on. Let us aspire to utilize the facilities and wish the development occurs on the same. We expect more prosthodontist to advance future research and hope we are not missing any opportunity in forwarding the prosthodontics research.

With Smile,

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