EDITOR'S COMMENT

What's new in hypertension?
Since the publication of the South African Hypertension Guidelines in 2006 several landmark clinical trials have been published or presented that have far-reaching implications for the way we treat patients with hypertension. In addition, the review of a recent study that had major impact on nephrological practice has been seriously questioned.
B Rayner

Gastroenterology: what is new in 2009?
Disorders of the gastrointestinal tract are common and frequently prompt patients to seek medical care.
G Watermeyer

What's new in paediatrics? (Review)
Benjamin Osler is reputed to have stated that he knew that 50% of what he was teaching his students was going to be proven wrong; the only problem was he did not know which 50%!
D F Wittenberg

Assessment of cough
Cough remains one of the most common complaints that motivate patients to seek medical attention.
G Ainslie

A balanced approach to the management of patients with stable coronary disease: medicine, stents, surgery
The care of patients with coronary artery disease needs perspective and balance.
P Commerford, A Chin

Update on type 2 diabetes
Type 2 diabetes is increasingly common and we need to offer our patients better outcomes.
J A Dave, N S Levitt
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