



# Editorial



The “congress” issue of the SAJAA has a distinct obstetric and regional anaesthesia flavour. It is a very sobering fact that anaesthetic deaths still occur in women having Caesarean sections both in our rural and urban hospitals.

Gillian Lamacroft’s review of complications associated with regional anaesthesia, highlights the potential pitfalls. In particular, it addresses those associated with spinal anaesthesia. The unusual complication of hypocalcaemia is discussed in Kumar et al’s case report.

Our ‘regular’ obstetrics contributor, Krzysztof Kuczkowski, looks at the anaesthetic management of the pregnant trauma patient, and Adrian Bosenberg highlights the problems associated with Campomelic Dysplasia.

Our research article examines the lack of full, and possibly safe, reversal in those patients who come to the recovery room.

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