

# Letter to Editor

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Dear Safogians,

It is a great pleasure to present to you this DVD on "Just Hysterectomy".

Laparoscopic hysterectomy has been widely accepted with some constraints in current gynecologic practice primarily due to the advanced surgical skills required and secondarily because of economic and litigious considerations. Many gynecologists rely on their skills acquired during residency training and have little opportunity to add to those skills once in practice. If the advanced laparoscopic skills required to perform laparoscopic hysterectomy are not learned during training then they often do not become a part of that surgeon's procedural armamentarium. Laparoscopic hysterectomy training should become a part of the residency training programs.

This DVD contains all procedures involving laparoscopic hysterectomy. The basic techniques of hysterectomy have been described using bipolar forceps and scissors. We have also demonstrated the use of harmonic ultracision to tackle the pedicles and hysterectomy in large uterus. Associated procedures, like Burch's colposuspension and pelvic lymphadenectomy have also been discussed.

We hope that the DVD will be informative and useful to all the members.

The theme of IAGE under the able guidance of Dr Rakesh Sinha is "Safe Endoscopy".

We are especially thankful to Dr Rakesh Sinha, IAGE President for his guidance, contribution and permission for distribution of this DVD. We congratulate Dr Narendra Malhotra for his enthusiasm to incorporate this DVD alongwith the SAFOG journal.

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