

## Special 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Issue of Journal of Neuro-Oncology

We will be celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the AANS/CNS Section on Tumors during our Tumor Satellite Meeting, immediately following the Congress of Neurological Surgeons meeting this fall in San Francisco. To commemorate this historic occasion, the section has organized a special commemorative supplement publication for the journal.

The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary special issue is designed to showcase progress in the field of neurosurgical oncology. The goal was to provide a comprehensive overview of the current state of the art in patient care, with articles written by recognized experts in each area of concern.

The issue contains twenty-two articles. Each contribution was thoroughly peer-reviewed and revised to be consistent with the scope and focus of the entire volume. Topics stem from benign and low-grade primary brain tumors, to metastatic tumors, skull base tumors and pineal region tumors. The issue will also include the first complete history of the tumor section, strategies for developing comprehensive brain tumor programs, as well as the practical aspects of designing, implementing, and performing brain tumor clinical trials.

We anticipate this volume to be circulated as a supplement to the Journal of Neuro-Oncology by September of 2004. Complimentary copies will be free to all registrants of the Tumor Satellite Meeting in October 2004. Hopefully this special issue will serve as a celebration of the section anniversary, as well as a benchmark reference for the current state-of the art in surgical Neuro-Oncology.

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