









## Ode to the Anesthesiologist Profectus

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## **Abstract**

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As the Corona pandemic continues to challenge the medical fraternity, the anesthesiologists have emerged as an integral part of the system, right from elucidating the pathophysiology of the Coronavirus to the treatment and resilience in the face of all the challenges thrown. This personal perspective is a tribute to the anesthesiologist's progress from behind the scenes to an epidemiologist, intensivist, and Corona warrior.

We walk the aisle in celebration of winning our prolific race

And mark our tradition of ingenuity and grace.

On the podium stands WTG Morton with ether,

Showcasing his legacy, "the Anesthesiologist Corona warrior."

From equipment to epidemiology,

Challenging pandemic is in the roots of Anesthesiology.

1854: John Snow pioneers contact tracing,

That helps wane the caseload of the dreaded COVID-19.

Jerome Adams rises to be the Surgeon General,

Publicizes "COVID stops with me" slogan.

William New invents oximeter dynamics,

And Severinghaus elucidates blood gas analysis,

Diagnoses COVID-19 happy hypoxemia,

Titrating the oxygen therapy panacea.

Homage to Arthur Guedel for paving our way,

To positive pressure ventilation, keeping fears at bay.

Subduing corona with wisdom of cardiopulmonary interaction,

We stand high as intensivist beyond question.

Adhering to evidence-based approach amid the pandemics,

Patronage social distancing and question HCQ's benefits.

As SARS pandemic set the exemplar,

Innovative airway management wages the war.

As MERS and Ebola ravaged the world,

Anesthesiologist ameliorates PPE and ICU infrastructure.

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No matter how much COVID sets up a hard yard,

Anesthesiologists emerge as strategist, and erudite wizard.

Enterprising a multidisciplinary alliance,

Being a pillar of medicine and envisaging reforms.

We are physicians with nerves of steel,

With a gumption to keep stress and anxiety concealed.

Whilst COVID-19 challenges our skills and endurance,

Anesthesiologist has claimed "the hero" status.

We have evolved from the designation gasmen,

And graduated summa cum laude to the Times cover.

As achievements and milestones syndicate,

This World Anaesthesia Day, we have tributes to pay,

To the stalwarts and "heroes" who inspire us every which way, Gathering grit in the battle against the current viral rage.

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