

## **Advanced Interventional Pain Management techniques in Developing Countries**

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Pain Clinics have an important role to play in the health care systems of the developing countries and cater to a very large number of chronic pain patients including those with intractable cancer pain. The pain clinicians in these countries have the dilemma of providing the best pain treatment but within the resources available for the purpose. Keeping pace with the technological advances in pain management worldwide, pain clinics in developing countries are also employing newer methods of pain assessment, pain imaging and advanced interventional strategies for managing patients with chronic pain. The multidisciplinary approach to the management of pain at these centres includes the effective use of both the traditional modalities such as yoga and acupuncture as well as the advanced interventional pain management techniques such as dorsal column stimulation, radiofrequency lesioning and intrathecal pump implantation.