



EDITORIAL

Dear Colleagues,

It is a pleasure and honor for me to introduce the new issue of Turk JEM March 2010. This issue being the first issue of 2010 is also another occasion to celebrate our 14th volume. This journal throughout its existence has solely devoted itself on the perfection and practice of endocrinologic research; this philosophy is continued to be carried out on its stable and academically strong pillars. From this issue and onwards Turk JEM journal will be accepting articles in Turkish as well as ones in English in order to support and encourage publication of Turkish academics. It is supposed that the manuscripts of our young colleagues who are at the beginning of their education in endocrinology will provide valuable contributions in the evaluation of their academic development. Turk JEM anticipates and encourages submission of original articles, case reports and reviews of local and foreign authors in English as well as Turkish.

Since our last publication, we have experienced exciting events within the Turkish Endocrinology world such as "Turkish-EUGOGO Teaching Course Graves Orbitopathy" and the "4th Turkish Thyroid Congress". With these joyous and academically important events, endocrinology academia and practice interaction has raised. Turkish-EUGOGO Teaching Course Graves Orbitopathy event held in Istanbul was a great success with international attendance and national collaboration. I would like to thank and congratulate academicians; Prof. Dr. Wilmar M. Wiersinga (Co-chair of EUGOGO), Prof. Dr. Sema Akalın (President of SEMT), Prof. Dr. Faruk Alagöl (Co-chair of SEMT), Prof. Dr. Murat Erdoğan (Co-chair for SEMT), Prof. Dr. Neşe Çolak and Prof. Dr. Harika Boztepe.

For this issue we have wide spread of topics within the realm of endocrinology with diverse origins of nation and focus. On this issue we have articles and case reports on; "The effectiveness of nurse-led telephone follow-up in patients with type 2DM", "Primary Pulmonary Paraganglioma", "Coexisting Insulin Dependent Diabetes and Graves' Disease in a Patient with Down Syndrome", "Laparoscopic Treatment of an Adrenal Schwannoma Embedded in Liver", "Spontaneous Successful Pregnancy in Post Surgical Hypopituitarism", "Comparision of Diagnostic values of Growth hormone stimulation tests in Adolescents" and "Profile of type 2 Diabetic patients referred to Electroneurography laboratory".

I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to those, who has contributed to this journal and its processes with their invaluable inputs. My true gratitude is towards the editorial board members and to our associate editors, who meticulously assessed and reviewed the manuscripts in order to form this issue. Also a special thanks to our publishing house Galenos, who sustains the printing quality of our journal.

It is my sincere wish that 2010 will bring all of you health, happiness and success. My hopes for this year are to be a remarkable time for scientific and medical achievements in the field of endocrinology.

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