



EDITORIAL

Dear Colleagues,

Science of Endocrinology has developed remarkably in recent years both in Turkey and worldwide. In view of numerous research and developments within a broad perspective the importance of endocrinology is far better understood and appreciated currently.

In Turkey, the number of endocrinologists have increased significantly and the interactions within the international fora has reached an outstanding dimension.

Turkey hosted the 11th European Congress of Endocrinology (ECE 2009) in April 2009 in İstanbul with the participation of 2300 specialists from 88 countries. The ECE 2009, which covered so many symposiums, lectures, meet the expert sessions and oral communications, was held successfully both in terms of scientific knowledge and in social interaction.

The Turkish Journal of Endocrinology and Metabolism (Turk JEM) which is the official quarterly periodical of the Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism of Turkey, was being recognised recently, in view of international assessments, by Index Copernicus, Embase and SCOPUS indexes as well. If Turk JEM will be enriched within the contribution of original papers, articles and research studies and the issues will be published in due time intervals, we are of the opinion that it will reach to higher echelons in medical science.

Dear Colleagues,

Availing myself of this opportunity, I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to our members, editorial board, to all who has contributed to the development and recognition of endocrinology in Turkey and in the international fora. I reiterate my call to our colleagues that your scientific contributions to Turk JEM will be highly appreciated.

With my highest regards,

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