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EDITORIAL

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Dear Readers,

After a long and very hot summer, we are here with the October 2023 issue. Schools have reopened, and life has picked up its pace again. I hope you have had a healthy, peaceful, and happy summer.

ERP family used the past summer quite efficiently. We have focused our efforts on several areas i.e. providing substantial editorial support to our authors through desk editors for the accepted articles, hoping to reach those that are excellent in terms of paragraph structure and language. We also concentrated on expanding and improving our pool of referees to enhance and expedite our evaluation process and increase our visibility on social media. Shortening our evaluation process was the other task. Thanks to our reviewers and associate editors average review time from submission to first decision decreased to 42 days in 2023, and to 24 days in the last 4 months. Regarding social media, we need our readers to support, us by means of following us on different platforms and sharing our material which you like.

In each issue, we strive to include an invited review article from our distinguished senior authors who are known for their valuable contributions in specific fields. Thus we aim to provide our readers with a comprehensive insight into specific topics directly from the experts.

Along with the suggestion of our Associate Editor Prof. Canan Ersoy, who is also the Course Secretary, and with the contributions of the Course President Prof. Mustafa Cesur, and second Secretary Prof. Sibel Güldiken, the SEMT 'Endocrinology Research and Practice 1<sup>st</sup> Case Competition' will be held on October the 28<sup>th</sup>, during Endocourse-7 in Bursa. You can find details about the competition at <https://temd.org.tr/haberler/endocrinology-research-and-practice-odullu-olgu-yarismasi>. We believe we will spend a joyful hour while learning about different cases, and the history of our Journal, and do appreciate your attendance.

I would like to express my infinite gratitude to our publishing house, AVES, which is responsible for the international publication of many medical journals originating from our country, and to their valuable staff, especially Alara Ergin, for their unwavering support on this long journey.

Coming back to the October issue of our journal, you will find rich content in our issue that we hope you will enjoy, seven original articles, two case reports, and a review article. From the endocrine effects of thalassemia to the long-term hematological effects of sex hormone treatments, molecular and clinical studies on thyroid tumors. Additionally, we included a review article on the effects of endocrine-disrupting chemicals on obesity and diabetes, from Cander & Yetkin which is a factual problem during the last decades and for the future.

Please remember ERP for a fast and productive evaluation of your manuscripts, our team is ready to help the authors in any step from submission to publication. Looking forward to your new submissions, enjoy your reading.

Prof. Murat Faik Erdoğan

Editor-in-Chief

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