



# TURKISH JOURNAL OF SURGERY

## Editorial

Dear readers,

Our journal has shown the progress that we have all been expecting for with your scientific contributions in 2014 and 2015. Our journal is being cited in the PubMed index under the "Ulus Cerrahi Derg" abbreviation as of May 2015, and its progress will be continuing in 2016. Our latest aim is inclusion of the Turkish Journal of Surgery in the Science Citation Index (SCI) and Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE) indices. Thomson Reuters will be restructuring the Web of Science database, which includes these indices, in 2016. In this context, a new index will be added to the Web of Science database. This new index will be called Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI). ESCI will include active journals published in different scientific fields. These journals within this directory will be accessible by readers of Web of Science, similar to those journals within the SCI and SCIE indices. Thomson Reuters has accepted the Turkish Journal of Surgery to the ESCI, as of 2016. We, all of us who contribute to this journal, are glad to share this pleasant news with you. With your support, we think that our journal will successfully complete the process within this directory.

Clinical and experimental research studies are always of great value to both scientific journal editors and readers. The experimental study examining the impact of everolimus with acute pancreatitis model in rats is a good example to this category. Similarly, the clinical study examining the role of Galectin-3 as a new parameter that may help diagnosis of papillary thyroid cancer may guide the change in our clinical practice. In the studies on phyllodes tumor of the breast, thyroid cancers detected with thyroidectomy performed concurrent with parathyroid surgery, the importance of HER-2 positivity in gastric cancer, and chemotherapy application in the distal rectum the authors are sharing their clinic's experiences.

Laparoscopic surgical procedures are being used more commonly in recent years, in different areas of our daily surgical practice. Another clinical study on a popular theme in the field of general surgery, laparoscopic procedures for morbid obesity, will be guiding our colleagues on this subject. Similarly, the clinical study investigating the role of laparoscopy in the surgical treatment of acute appendicitis and the review on the methods for stump closure in laparoscopic appendectomy contribute to our knowledge on this issue. The letter to the editor summarizing the approach to the axilla, which went through significant changes in recent years in the surgical treatment of breast cancer, will be instructing our colleagues who are interested in these topics.

Hoping to present better news in the upcoming issues, respectfully yours,

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