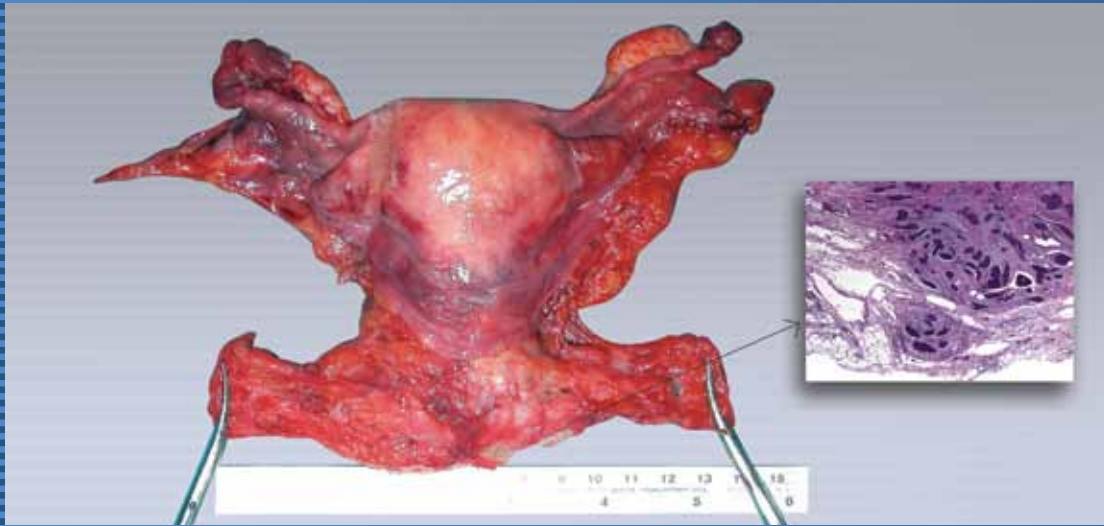




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I am proud to present you the second issue of Volume-14 of JTGGGA with plenty of meritorious scientific studies. Our objective is to collect more and more research studies from Turkey and the international gynecology and obstetrics community.

In this particular issue, you will find a chance to read an interesting paper that demonstrates the histopathological basis of individually tailored less radical surgery concept in patients with International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) stage IB cervical cancer by an esteemed author - Ali Ayhan, and his team. Nowadays, the intention of the hysterectomies is rapidly turning to minimally invasive approaches. You may also find a nice study that evaluates the effects of previous abdominal surgery on the feasibility of operation and the safety of total laparoscopic hysterectomy. Over and above, a few fine experimental studies are also published in this issue. One of them is about melatonin and

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Everyone shall agree that the power of the meta-analysis is crucial. There are two meta-analyses studies in this June issue. One of them is about 'Recurrent Endometriosis', and the other one is about 'Pregnancy of Unknown Location'. Besides, four interesting case reports and an informative quiz will attract your interest in the following pages of the journal.

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The aim of this award is to appreciate the prolificacy of our colleagues in research projects and to encourage especially our young colleagues for the forthcoming years. The manuscripts submitted for 2nd International Research Awards will be peer-reviewed in terms of their scientific contribution, originality, content and the accepted manuscripts will be published at the JTGGGA. Deadline for Manuscript Submissions will be **February 21st, 2014**. The award winners will be announced at the first issue of the year 2014 of the JTGGGA and the award will be presented at the Opening Ceremony of the X. Turkish German Gynecology Congress. The corresponding author of the Best Manuscript will also be awarded with a free **Registration and Accommodation Package** for the X. Turkish German Gynecology Congress and an **Oral Presentation** about the Best Manuscript will be allocated in the scientific program.

We are working hard for the organization of the next congress of our foundation - X. Turkish German Gynecology Congress that will be held between the dates of April 30th and May 4th, 2014 in Antalya.

It is a common wish that our congress bringing together many of our colleagues nationally and internationally since 1995, will find rather a lot of **twentieth** anniversaries. I would like to remind you to mark **April 30th, 2014** on your calendars.

I wish all of you, working hard for a long time, a beautiful summer holiday with a plenty of sun.

Best regards,

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