

Editorial



It is my great pleasure to present you the second issue of Journal of the Turkish-German Gynecological Association (*J Turk Ger Gynecol Assoc*) in the publishing year of 2016.

In this latest issue, we have included many high quality manuscripts. One of them is a meta-analysis reviewing the recent literature and updating a previous systematic review and this study investigates the potential role of chorionic villus sampling in increasing the subsequent rate of occurrence of preeclampsia and gestational hypertension. You will also read an interesting paper determining the role of *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* gene mutations in the etiology of premature ovarian insufficiency in a Turkish population. The presence of mutations of *BRCA1* or *BRCA2* genes are associated with an increase in the risk of breast, ovarian, fallopian tube and peritoneal cancers. Herein is presented another highly scientific article reviewing cases with peritoneal cancer after prophylactic bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy and discussing the possible etiology of this rare entity as well as the possible changes in the management of such patients. As usual, we have included a quiz too, which we are sure that you will enjoy solving.

With each new issue of *J Turk Ger Gynecol Assoc*, we are trying to further increase the quality of our content. We are glad to see that this consistency in quality has translated well into our readership numbers. Number of hits we have received on PubMed has almost doubled over the past 18 months. Thank you for your interest.

Our submission traffic is also progressing in a healthy way. Due to *J Turk Ger Gynecol Assoc*'s increasing international popularity and visibility, the number of international submissions we receive has almost tripled over the past 24 months and it is nice to see the quality of submissions is also rising.

Increasing submission numbers and the quality of these submissions makes our jobs as editors easier and harder at the same time. Thanks to the international support we receive from our reviewer community we can manage these submissions with ease. The average time from submission to first decision is 4 weeks for new submissions. We are planning to lower the average to 21 days within the next year. On behalf of the editorial board, I would like to thank our reviewers for their continuous support.

As you might know, we try to be as fast as possible to make the accepted manuscripts available to our readers. We publish the accepted papers within 4-6 weeks of the final decision. We will try to reduce this to 3 to 4 weeks within the next year as well.

Turkish-German Gynecological Education and Research Foundation's 11th congress (TAJEV 2016) was recently held in Antalya, Turkey and I am glad to report that it was a success. The scientific quality was very high and the organization received great interest from the international gynecology and obstetrics society. We have had more than 1600 participants and faculty members from 12 different countries.

During the congress we had keynote lectures with the world's most reputable speakers; Prof. Sara Brucker, Prof. Camran Nezhat, Prof. Serdar Bulun, Prof. Karl Oliver Kagan. In addition, there were two live surgeries, one from France the other from USA, with the moderation by Prof. Ceana Nezhat. I am sure that these lectures will positively contribute to the education and progress of your participants.

We have wasted no time and we have already started to work on TAJEV 2018. If you have any feedback regarding TAJEV 2016 that you would like to share with us, please do not hesitate to get in direct contact with us.

Sincerely,

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