

## EDITORIAL

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Dear Colleagues and Readers,

We are glad to present you a new issue. The articles accepted for publication in our journal are translated into English, which increases worldwide accessibility and citation rates of the articles. Hereby, we expect an increase in citation rates in the forthcoming period. The number of articles that have been accepted but not published has increased and this makes us happy. However, this situation is a delay for authors. Therefore, we have come to a conclusion that the number of articles included in an issue will be increased in 2018.

We are pleased to be with you with this new issue and new topics again. In this issue, you can find many interesting and valuable articles. This issue will be one of important issues for approaching our target with the original articles titled "Use of Pedicled Latissimus Dorsi Myocutaneous Flap in the Reconstruction of Head and Neck Region: Experience with 17 Patients" by Yıldız et al., "Comparison Of Lichtenstein, Laparoscopic Transabdominal Preperitoneal And Laparoscopic Totally Extraperitoneal Groin Hernia Repair and Our Experience on 104 Patients" by Sormaz et al., and "Determination of Mortality Rates and Related Factors in Patients in the Intensive Care Units of Tertiary Healthcare Institutions: Analysis of 3945 patients" by Akkoç et al.

That many journals from Turkey have been included in international indices in recent years also makes us honored. With your contributions, Bezmialem Science has been gaining a more prestigious place in science with each passing day. On behalf of myself and the editorial board, I thank our esteemed readers, authors, and reviewers for their great efforts to reach this success.

Best regards,

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**Editor in Chief**