



Editorial

We are happy to announce the first issue of Northwestern Medical Journal for 2023. We wish a happy new year to everybody and we hope that 2023 will be a fruitful and effective year in terms of scientific research and publishing.

We would like to share good news about our journal and it is our pleasure to report that Northwestern Medical Journal is indexed in TR-Index (TR-Dizin) which was developed by The Turkish Academic Network and Information Centre (ULAKBIM) per international standards to allow electronic access to scientific content. This is an important milestone in the evolution and progression of Northwestern Medical Journal and we are encouraged for being indexed in other prestigious national and international indexes.

This achievement was possible by the precious support of our authors, reviewers, readers, editors, as well as the publisher. We hope to improve and expand our impact in scientific publication community worldwide.

In this issue, we have eight original articles, one review, and one case reports that cover popular interesting and contemporary topics. Sercan Aydın et al. investigated the the role of body mass index in postoperative complications of the early stage lung cancer after surgical treatment. Gökçe Kaya Dinçel et al. reported the effects of intravenous paracetamol use on blood parameters in the treatment of patent ductus arteriosus. Mustafa Deniz et al. evaluated hospital acquired infections in intensive care unit. Mustafa Enes Demirel et al. reported the efficacy and safety of novel oral anticoagulants compared to that of vitamin K antagonists and low molecular weight heparins. Serdar Badem et al. investigated the effect of Bioglue® tissue adhesive on saphenous vein graft endothelium exposed to high pressure. Elif Yakşı et al.the prevalence of temporomandibular diseases among medical students. Serdar Ferit Toprak et al. analyzed the seroprevalence of Francisella tularensis in patients with neck mass complaints. Ayşegül Daniş et al. reported epilepsy and drug resistant epilepsy in neurocutaneous syndromes. Canan Akünel Türel et al. reviewed deep brain stimulation in idiopathic Parkinsons's disease. Batuhan Gencer et al. reported a pediatric fracture case with delayed union re-fracture and Covid-19 pandemics-related surgical delay.

We appreciate the efforts and contributions of our readers, authors, reviewers, and publisher, Akdema®, for the publication of Northwestern Medical Journal. We hope to meet you in our next issues in 2023.

Sincere greetings,
Prof. Ahmet Ural, M.D.
Editor-in-chief