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Editorial

Dear Colleagues,

As being the scientific and periodical publication organ of the Turkish Respiratory Society, SOLUNUM-The Journal of Turkish Respiratory Society welcomes you with a new name and print format.

SOLUNUM-The Journal of Turkish Respiratory Society began its publishing life in 1978, and since then, it has become a highly qualified scientific journal in virtue of continuous progress and improvement every passing year. Recent improvements in scientific publication in Turkey as well as in the world have made it more likely for scientific journals with higher reading rate and higher impact factor to come to the forefront in the international arena. Particularly, open access publication that emerged with the development of electronic publishing has brought the journals, which are read only in the country of publication and not cited by the sources in the other countries, to a point where they had to make an important decision. In this regard, editorial board of the SOLUNUM-The Journal of Turkish respiratory Society and Central Executive Committee of the Turkish Respiratory Society (CEC-TRS) assessed this new situation and decided to put into practice some radical changes. In line with these changes, publication language is set to English as of 2014. The editorial board also decided to change the current name of the journal with another one that would be easily accepted in the international area and would highlight the geographic region being the focus of the journal. After the decision of the editorial board, a proposal was submitted to the CEC-TRS in the last days of 2013, and our endeavors in this regard have been accelerated by the support of the executive committee. At the first step, CEC-TRS, work group, the coordination committee and the steering committee members, and the editorial board members began searching for a new name. In consequence of these efforts, new name of the journal was determined to be “Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology”.

SOLUNUM-The Journal of Turkish Respiratory Society will continue its publishing journey under the name of “Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology”. We acknowledge and remember with respect our masters by whom the journal SOLUNUM took its first breath in 1970 and came until today with continuous evolution. Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology inarguably seeded by their efforts.

Dear Colleagues, you will be able to submit manuscripts to the Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology written in English or Turkish as before, and Turkish manuscripts accepted for publication after peer-review process will be translated to English by our publishing house on your behalf. The printed version of the journal will be entirely in English; however, electronic version of the journal published online will be both in English and in Turkish. The manuscripts previously submitted to the journal and accepted for publication will be translated into English and then published in accordance with publishing schedule.

Dear Colleagues, as per our decision dated 2012, a selection is made among the research articles published in a particular year based on scientific criteria and the first author of the winner is rewarded with the sponsorship of European Respiratory Society Annual congress by TRS. All research articles published in 2013 were rigorously reviewed by a jury created within the body of the editorial board, and Dr. Nesrin Yöntem Gök was rewarded with the sponsorship for her study titled “Comparison of Serum Levels for VEGF and Markers of Inflammation in COPD and Their Relationship with Functional Parameters”. We congratulate her.

The current issue of the Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology comes with 2 reviews, 6 research articles and case reports. The first review is written by Arzu Arı, a renowned investigator from Atlanta Georgia State University. We hope you would read with interest the article titled “Jet, ultrasonic and mesh nebulizers: An evaluation of nebulizers for better clinical outcome”. The other review is an interesting manuscript probing the association between COPD and bronchiectasis. We consider that you will read research articles on different subjects with great interest.

As from this issue, Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology will place more emphasis than before on postgraduate education. Each issue will contain quizzes, radiological case reports with the predominance of visual elements, and short manuscripts on recent renovations in our field. We expect your contribution with manuscripts, case quizzes, and images that you think would contribute postgraduate education.

The issue of raising the quality of our journal is only possible by the support of our colleagues as it was before. We hope increasing interest to our journal and wish that new era will contribute to our society.

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