EDITORIAL

Dear Colleagues,

I am proud to announce that our journal is now being indexed in the Web of Science in the category of ESCI. As our impact factor is increasing we are planning to apply to be indexed in PubMed.

As we have announced, our Editorial Board met on 10.1.2016 to set new criteria to become a member of the board for TJOG. As we are the journal of our distinguished society, all colleagues who meet the criteria are welcome to be a member of the board. Becoming member of the board is not a lifetime duty. In the aim of being competitive, board members also set criteria for themselves to continue being a member. These criteria, besides being competitive, will provide a healthy turnover for new coming successful scientists to take over our editorial roles. Our criteria to meet this aim are set out below:

Aside from providing prestige, the role of the editorial board is to advise and support the editor.

Identifying new topics for commissions, special editions, and advising on direction for the journal, giving feedback on past issues and making suggestions for both subject matter and potential authors.

Provide content by writing occasional editorials and other short articles.

Approaching potential contributors.

Peer review also help to identify peer reviewers and provide second opinions on papers (i.e. where there is a conflict between reviewers).

Identify appropriate conferences for editors to attend.

Endorse the journal to authors, readers, and subscribers, and encourage colleagues to submit their best work.

At the end of each year, each member of the Editorial Board will be scored against these criteria and the top 12 will be section Editor or associate Editor. The others will serve as members of the board having fulfilled previously announced minimum criteria for becoming board members.

I would like to thank Evrim Erdemoğlu MD for his work on setting these criteria for the Editorial Board. My idea is that the Editor in Chief should be selected by the board after election.

Best Wishes.

Eray Çalışkan MD,
Editor in Chief