Dear Colleagues,

I am delighted to introduce the second issue of the “Journal of the Turkish German Gynecological Association (JTGGA)” in the publishing year of 2015.

Many interesting articles are included in this issue from Turkey and other countries. One of them is a research article from Thailand investigating the correlation between ultrasound measured placental volume and collected umbilical cord blood volume in term pregnancy. In this issue, you will also read an attractive paper evaluating the clinical presentation, laboratory findings, and response to treatment in girls with labial adhesion younger than 23 months. As you know, male live births slightly exceed female live births by approximately 3%. The ratio of male to total live births is conventionally represented as M/F. Privation, toxins, and stress have been shown to affect M/F, all of which reduce M/F. You will find an interesting paper conducted to ascertain whether the onset of the “Great Recession” (2007) was associated with changes in M/F in the United States. You will also read a review discussing impact of obesity on infertility in women.

Turkish - German Gynecological Education and Research Foundation (TAJEV) and German-Turkish Gynecological Association (DTGG) Joint Meeting was conducted in Istanbul on May 22nd – May 24th, 2015 with a high scientific quality. More than 100 experts from Germany with different institutional background have shared their knowledge and experiences with the all the participants and Turkish colleagues. The Joint Meeting organized by the foundation has also the privilege of being the first meeting in which German language has been used as the official language in Turkey. During the meeting majority of the topics in the field of obstetrics & gynecology has been debated.

I would also like to inform you about the fifth Social Responsibility Project of our foundation - Turkish German Gynecological Education and Research Foundation (TAJEV) which will be held on September 11-12, 2015, in Çanakkale. The project is traditionally organized in four steps; public awareness meeting with participation of the locals, the scientific meeting with participation of health professionals, performing of the advanced operations and medical examination / screening to local women, and finally a medical device donation to a local hospital. We would be excited to have our colleagues join us in these intense scientific activities.

Wish you all a sunny holiday.

Best regards,
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