Dear Readers,

Welcome to the second issue of “The Journal of Pediatric Research” of 2017. In this issue, all the articles have been written in English. As of 2018, our journal will be published in English. The Journal of Pediatric Research is listed in Web of Science-Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI), Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), EBSCO, CINAHL Complete Database, ProQuest, Tübitak/Ulakbim TR Index, TurkMedline and Turkiye Citation Index.

The cover photo of this issue is the painting named “The Sea of Life”. This awesome pastel painting is by Dr. Sibel Polater, one of our pediatric residents in Ege University Hospital. Most of us have witnessed that doctors are interested in art. Actually, medicine is itself an art; it must employ the finest tools available; not just the finest in technology and science, but also the finest in knowledge, skills, and the personality of the physician. In fact, the medicine, like the art, is a passion. There is a close relationship between art and medicine, and they share a common role. They have a common substrata, the physical, visible world of matter. More significant however, are the similar qualities of mind, body, and spirit demanded of the practitioners of each, painter and physician. The chief among them is the eye: the ability not only to observe, but to observe keenly - to ferret out the tiny details from the jumble of facts, lines, colors - the tiny detail that unlocks a painting, or a patient's predicament. Observation demands attention, and this is the key to both art and medicine. Attention is nothing more than a state of receptiveness to its object; the artist to nature, the viewer to the work of art, the physician to the patient.

In the June issue, there is a review about PFAPA syndrome, summarizing the current diagnosis and treatment. There are interesting case reports about TAR syndrome, the association between choledochal cyst and pancreatitis, rhabdomyosarcoma. Unfortunately, consanguineous marriages are still common in our country; so, metabolic diseases are not very rare. Also in the June issue, you can read two important articles about urea cycle disorders and mucopolysaccharidosis as well as interesting research articles about febrile seizures and the anxiety of the parents of premature babies.

As the Editor of the June issue, I would like to thank the members of our editorial board, reviewers, authors, and Galenos Publishing House for their tremendous help in preparing this featured issue of 2017.

We look forward to your future scientific articles, and wish you good and productive reading.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Dr. Zülfü Kilikel

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