



EDITORIAL

Dear Colleagues,

I feel very privileged to be the person responsible for publishing this, the 2nd issue, of our professional journal this year. I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to all the authors, reviewers, assistant editors, secretaries and the Galenos publishing team for the effort they expended in order to get this issue done. The Journal of Turkish Spinal Surgery (www.jtss.org), is the official publication of the Turkish Spine Society. In addition, we are very happy to announce that we will be accepting new reviewers for our journal. Please apply to us, as soon as possible, if you are interested. I hope that each of you will take the time to review this issue very carefully, and add the information and insights contained herein, to your already very well informed knowledge bases.

In this issue, there are six clinical research studies and one basic science study. The first study is a Retrospective Clinical Study about "The Effect of Long- and Short-Level Fusions on Sagittal Balance Parameters of Patients Treated with Transforaminal Lumbar Interbody Fusion for Degenerative Spine Older Than 65 Years". The second study is a basic science study about "Amifostine decreases lipid peroxidation activity after spinal cord injury in rats". The third, is a clinical study, "Evaluation of Satisfaction with a Questionnaire According to Fracture Level and Fracture Type of Patients who Underwent Balloon Kyphoplasty". The fourth article is about "Lumbopelvic Stability, Lumbopelvic Mobility and Spinopelvic Parameters in Patients with Lumbar Disc Herniation". The authors of the fifth study examined "Is it Possible to Determine the Prevalence of Adult Thoracic Scoliosis by Looking at Chest X-ray?". The sixth study is about "The relationship between clinical and imaging findings in mechanical thoracic spine pain: a retrospective cohort study" while, in the seventh, the authors Evaluated "Traditional training versus virtual reality and haptic enabled simulation training for posterior cervical screw placement".

I hope our readers appreciate the work, and that each of you take the time to read and absorb the vital information contained here. As always, it's our goal to provide you with the most current research available, and information on current practices and methodology. Our mission is to guarantee that we remain on the forefront of all the latest developments, and this issue is intended to further that goal.

With kindest regards,

Editor in Chief

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