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EDITORIAL

This last issue of the year 2011 of our journal includes 5 original research articles, 1 review article and 9 case reports. You will notice that the number of case reports our journal receives is increasing. This increase is due to the importance placed by physicians especially those working in public hospitals. Publishing these reports is important both for sharing experience with colleagues and recording cases in detail. For that purpose, efforts will be made to publish at least 5 case reports in each issue.

Four issues published this year included 37 original research articles, 21 case reports (two of these were case series) and 2 review articles, making 60 articles in total. Approximately 60 more articles are currently in the evaluation process. On behalf of the editorial board I thank all of our colleagues who supported our journal by sending articles, contributed to the recording of the history ofour scientific field and all our reviewers who evaluated articles meticulously.

As it is well known, in order keep our quality above a certain level, we try to be extremely careful while evaluating articles. Unfortunately we have received, without a clear reason, a negative response for the application we have submitted for inclusion of our journal in the "ISI" list, which was one of our primary targets,. It will only be possible for us to re-apply in early 2013. Our journal receives approximately 1100 clicks a month on PUBMED database, which is the most important database our journal is indexed in. This is due to our journal's open access policy which increases the number of citations our journal receives in locally and internationally prepared articles.

I send my respect and hopes that this issue will be useful to your scientific studies and archives.

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