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Dear Readers,

Welcome to the first issue of "The Journal of Pediatric Research" of 2017. We all hope 2017 may bring peace and justice to all children of the world. All children deserve to be happy, and we want to see them in full health on playgrounds and schools, not on battlefields.

Another feature of this issue is that all articles are written in English. We are delighted to have two valued authors from India and Russia who are sharing their research with us.

After the renovation of "The Journal of Pediatric Research" on 2014, we welcomed a rapidly increasing number of articles nationally and from abroad to be evaluated for publication. We proudly announce that our journal is now listed in Ulakbim-Tübitak database in addition to ESCI, EBSCOhost and "Türkiye Atf Dizini." This is a great opportunity for us to spread our enthusiasm for improving our journal to the best.

Children are surrounded by many hazards like the excessive internet channels, environmental threats like endocrine disrupting agents and drug abuse in this era. As physicians and nurses in the pediatric care, we feel that it is our utmost duty to raise awareness of these threats and protect them. In this issue, we have two interesting original research articles covering these: "Substance Use Among Adolescents, and Influencing Factors in Şanlıurfa" by Karataş et al. from Şanlıurfa, Turkey, and "Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals: A Challenge to Child Health" by Mani et al. from India.

Research on child nutrition is never outdated in pediatrics. There are two original research articles covering different aspects of hypercholesterolemia and vitamin D deficiency for your attention.

The field of pediatrics requires complete integration of all relevant disciplines. Thus, we are more than happy to have two articles on orthopedic surgery and child psychiatry in this issue.

Our journal will be published in English beginning from 2018. We, therefore, invite articles written in English from all over the world to have a mutual ground for sharing knowledge and discussing health and well-being of all children.

As the Editor of this issue, I would like to take the opportunity 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 accepting your future papers. I believe that present and future design of "The Journal of Pediatric Research" will fulfill an important role by publishing scientific studies that advance the care of children by honoring caregivers who not only diagnose and treat but also have insight and talent to present their experience to the scientific community.

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