

## **Editorial**

## Dear Colleagues,

We are here with our September issue after a long and hot summer. In this issue, there are eight research articles, three case reports and a letter to editor which are interesting and informative. We have made a progress to move our national branch journal to the international arena, especially in 2018. While the number of research articles was increasing in our journal, the number of articles from foreign countries increased as well. In 2018 nine out of 40 articles in the first three issues of Turkish Archives of Otorhinolaryngology, namely one in four, were from foreign countries. We expect this number to increase even more in the near future by increasing the quality and recognition of our journal

On the other hand, we would like to emphasize that after being indexed in Pubmed Central, we work hard to move our journal to Science Citation Index Expanded. As you know, the impact factor, which has a very significant role in the acceptance of a scientific journal into important indexes, depends on the citations received by the articles published in that journal. Therefore, we should increase the number of citations. Related to this, to cite articles from Turkish Archives of Otorhinolaryngology which really contributes to your work under the rules of scientific writing ethics in the scientific papers that you send to international journals will support our journal. For this purpose, you can use the Medical Database of Tübitak Ulakbim TR index or the search engine of our journal with the appropriate keywords.

Our efforts as the Turkish Archives of Otorhinolaryngology, which is the official publication of our national society, continues to contribute to the development of scientific writing and publishing in our branch. With the support of our society, we conducted "The Future of Turkish Otorhinolaryngology Publishing" workshop in our national congress of 2016 and "Scientific Paper Writing" course in 2017 national congress. We will organize a session entitled "Ask the Editor" at our 40th national congress with the courage of broad participation in the previous meetings. We are expecting the participation of all authors in this session, where there will be our invaluable national journal editors. We recommend you not to miss this session where you will have the chance to ask all the questions you may have about preparation of publications and journal policies and to learn many important tips. On the other hand, we will present certificates and awards to the authors of the top three original research articles and to the three exemplary reviewers in our 40th national congress.

We would like to thank our national society, because of financial and moral support not only for the publication of Turkish Archives of Otorhinolaryngology, but also for the activities mentinod above, the authors who send their valuable scientific papers to our journal, our reviewers who are unsung heroes, our dear readers and finally our successful publishing house. Working together, we believe that Turkish Archives of Otorhinolaryngology will be a more successful scientific journal in the next few years.

In the name of Editorial Board, Prof. Taner Kemal Erdağ