

FROM THE EDITOR

Dear readers of *Acta Orthopaedica et Traumatologica Turcica*,

We are pleased to present you the third issue of this year.

Acta Orthopaedica et Traumatologica Turcica is the official journal of the Turkish Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology (TOTBİD) and TOTBİD recently had its general assembly held. I congratulate our new President Prof. Dr. Mahmut Nedim Doral and all the members of the board of directors elected by the general assembly and wish them a successful term. I firmly believe that we will have a successful collaboration with them, as we have had so far.

We have been experiencing some difficulties and delays in catching up with our normal publication periods due to the new developments made since the beginning of this year and we frankly apologize to our readers for these problems. As you would appreciate, these troubles have mainly occurred because of the significantly increased workload of the editorial board, technical board, and our publisher, all of which have faced with the heavy task of producing two identical journals at the same time, one in English as the official language, and the other in Turkish. However, at this stage, we have made our plans to overcome these difficulties and catch up with our regular schedule by the end of this year.

In order to prevent our authors from being adversely affected by these difficulties, we have completed our preparations to publish the manuscripts ahead-of-print on the Internet with the DOI number assigned. This will be put into effect after a short period of time.

I would like to remind our readers and authors that, to present you a more satisfying service, we are always in need of your contributions and comments.

Yours respectfully,

Mehmet Demirhan, M.D.

Editor-in-Chief