FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Acta Orthopaedica Traumatologica et Turcica readers,

We are delighted to bring you this first issue of 2012 on the 50th year anniversary of our journal.

In this issue you will discover a limited edition of our logo in honor of our 50th year in print.

We will present several activities this year. The first will be the "2nd Istanbul Meeting" of TOTDER (Turkish Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatology), which will take place on May 31 - June 2. The symposium will be held in celebration of our 50th year and will discuss the ethical aspects of publishing.

In this issue, we have notable studies on hand surgery, trauma, arthroplasty, and foot, ankle and knee surgeries. I believe Okçu et al.'s clinical study on lateral epicondylitis and Duygulu et al.'s experimental study on the effects of bone marrow aspirate on meniscal repair will draw great interest.

Korkmaz et al.'s current and analytical study on resurfacing arthroplasty and Kalliopi et al.'s prognostic evaluation of spinal scores are other studies that I think will grab your attention.

Finally, I would like to thank the whole TOTDER and TOTBİD (Turkish Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology) family, starting with our former editors, for their unsparing efforts to preserve the continuity and quality of our journal over this 50-year marathon. I wish you all a year of health and success.

To meetings in many 50 years to come!

Best regards,

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