Dear readers,

We present the first issue of the new year with many innovations in the Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology. I have taken over the editorship of the journal from my esteemed colleague, Prof. Dr. Benan Çağlayan, who carried the journal forward beginning from the time of taking the responsibility. His great effort is priceless. His commitment will serve as a model for improving our journal further. The associate editors who made a great effort for processing and discussing on articles for a long time have transferred their duties to new associate editors. I thank all of them for their valuable contributions that they made for bringing the journal to these days. A new team has been organized and we are aware of the importance of our responsibility. Major strides were made in being included in prestigious indices in the previous period. Our journal was accepted by the Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) and begun to be indexed in the Web of Science. Thus, our goals have become greater. In the previous period, the journal accepted research articles and case reports from the United States of America, Egypt, India, Spain, New Zealand and many other countries. This motivates us to attain the goal of comprehensiveness in the name of the journal and to increase international reputation of the journal.

With this issue, another change is that the journal will be published only online anymore. The Eurasian Journal of Pulmonology quits printed format like many well-known and effective open access journals.

You will read valuable articles in this issue again. The first of them is a well-written review on electronic cigarette. It is followed by a research article investigating cardiovascular effects of smoking cessation treatment. Other articles are about the role of nursing education in non-invasive mechanical ventilation, pulmonary rehabilitation, transbronchial biopsy, the role of exercising in asthma, and the coexistence of tuberculosis and cancer. And, this issue ends with a well-managed case report including difficulties that are hard to solve in clinical practice. We hope that you will read all studies with a great interest and they will motivate you to begin new studies and to produce scientific articles.

We need your support for carrying our journal to a better place in international community and for making it one of the addresses of reliable and accurate knowledge. In our journal, in which a fair, constructive and rapid evaluation is sensitively performed for all submitted manuscripts, the articles are opened for online access soon after being approved. We invite you to submit your qualified scientific studies, interesting cases, quiz cases, and interesting, rare and educative clinical images with a brief explanation to our journal. Your citations and references from the articles published in our journal will contribute to increased reputation of the journal and provide a great support in the way of reaching the goal of being an address for correct knowledge.

We are jumping into the big ocean of science as excited crew of a speeding ship with a new team. Heave ho! Bismillah!

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