

Editorial

Dear Readers,

It is with immense joy that I assume the role of Editor-in-Chief as we proudly mark the 10th anniversary of Turkish Medical Student Journal (TMSJ).

It is a time where we reflect on a decade of our editors' efforts to make our journal a cherished platform for medical students where they can publish their valuable research. TMSJ still stands as the sole journal of its kind in Türkiye, and our mission to foster scientific research among medical students has never been more important as many of these future physicians are often discouraged from publishing their own findings, or conducting research altogether. For the past decade, our editorial board set an excellent example to medical students by inspiring them to start doing research in the earliest years of their education, paving the way for lifelong commitment to scientific research.

Turkish Medical Student Journal transcends its role as a mere journal, embodying a profound sense of community, friendship, and family. The experience passed down from our predecessors is the very foundation of our endeavours as the editorial board, and it is our duty to preserve and build upon this legacy. Our current and former editors were invited to share their thoughts on this editorial as a celebration of the 10th anniversary of TMSJ.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every single author, reviewer, editor, and reader for their endless support, contributions, and their faith in TMSJ as well as being an integral part of our journey.

Here's to the unwavering spirit that defines Turkish Medical Student Journal. May the next decade grant us the fortitude and wisdom to inspire the upcoming generation of editors.

Eylül Şenödeyici, Editor-in-Chief

As TMSJ celebrates its 10th year, this marks my 4th year with this wonderful team. From the first ever published issue up to today, TMSJ has continuously provided a chance for medical students from all around the world to present their first ever steps into scientific literature. With high publishing standards, akin to those seen in high-ranked journals, TMSJ is rapidly approaching its well-deserved position to be indexed in PUBMED, indicating a very important milestone not only for TMSJ but for any journal in the medical sciences. To me, TMSJ is more than just a journal; it's a cherished family that has warmly guided me through my initial steps into academic world as a medical student, offering a sense of belonging and support far from my home in Türkiye.

Berkin Ersoy, Deputy Editor-in-Chief

For 10 years, TMSJ has been a platform that gives medical students a chance to take part in the scientific publishing community. And in this time TMSJ itself has grown into a community spanning many countries and regions, bringing people that would've had very little chance of meeting together across countries, and doing so under the righteous cause of scientific progress. I feel incredibly privileged to see the growth of this incredible organization from within, and even more so to being a part of this progress. What TMSJ accomplished in 10 years unprecedented in its region and I thank all of my fellow editors for being a part of the journey.

Sarper Kızılkaya, Deputy Editor-in-Chief

I am honored and proud to be a part of TMSJ, Türkiye's first and only indexed medical student journal. TMSJ has taught me so many things along the way, and it will always be a privilege to be a part of this team. As a member of the TMSJ team, it is an honor to create a platform for our enthusiastic authors. I celebrate the 10th anniversary of TMSJ with great pride and happiness!

Zeynep Nihal Er, Deputy Editor-in-Chief

Turkish Medical Student Journal continues to give us hope for progress. We came here alone, but we don't have to leave here alone. We can be part of something better. Happy birthday, TMSJ! Long may you live!

Sıla Ece Tiryaki, Deputy Editor-in-Chief

Being a TMSJ editor-in-chief has been one of the best titles I have ever had in my life! I am grateful for all the great people came into my life through this experience. I deeply appreciate all the editorial board and advisory board members who contributed TMSJ along the way. The best is yet to come!

Kübra Gökçe Tezel, Former Editor-in-Chief

Finding colleagues whom you get along with very well and work together harmoniously is truly a rare miracle. During the five years I worked as an editor at the Turkish Medical Student Journal, I made many valuable friends who are still in my life and will continue to be. I learned new things from everyone I met and worked with. The benefits of working as an editor at the journal has been astronomical. It makes me very proud to take part in this spectacular formation where I found people who became my chosen family. I wish all the best to our journal and our new members to come.

Beliz Koçyiğit, Former Editor-in-Chief

My beloved journal TMSJ, of which I am both an editor and deputy editor-in-chief... Throughout the four years I've been involved, not only has it contributed to our editorial team's scientific vision, but witnessing its international standing, a decade after its establishment, is truly pride-inducing. With our skilled editorial team, being the only indexed medical student journal in Türkiye, I have no doubt that it will continue to achieve many successes in the years to come. Here's to many more years.

Begüm Söyleyici, Former Deputy Editor-in-Chief

Make the most of your time while you are a medical student, even if you don't realise it yet, those are precious times and TMSJ will be one of the good memories in it. I am so glad to have been a part of this, it has contributed a lot to me and I wish many more happy and successful decades for our journal!

Ahmet Emin, Former Editor

Initially TMSJ was just a professional scientific journal for me, but over time it also became a passion, full of friendships. I am so glad to have been a member of this family!

Sezin Sayın, Former Editor

Being an editor is a privileged role in scientific publishing. An editor gets to be a part of the scientific contribution by editing it. Being a TMSJ editor is more than that. We touch medical students' lives by opening up a safe place to take their first steps into the academia. For 10 years, it has been a pride to be a part of TMSJ's mission. It is safe to say this mission wouldn't possible without the team. I am thankful for this.

İlayda Karakoç, Editor

I have recently finished my first year at TMSJ. Besides the joy of being an editor here, the best thing I love about this place is how we are like a family with former and present editors. How heart-warming that our ever-expanding family is celebrating its 10th year now!

Ekin Lâl Akat, Editor

Turkish Medical Student Journal is a place where passion for research, dedication, discipline and teamwork unite while medical students as future physicians create an impact on the scientific literature. As a TMSJ editor, I am honored to be a part of this unique family where I am constantly amazed and inspired by our hard work with my dear colleagues.

İpek Deniz Özkan, Editor

With great joy and honor, I congratulate all of the TMSJ family, from authors to editors, for the 10th year of the Turkish Medical Student Journal. The last year in which I joined the editorial board has been beyond compare and I am ecstatic to keep working with this beautiful group of people.

Emir İskifoğlu, Editor

TMSJ feels like finding a family away from home.

Elif Elveren, Editor