

DEAR COLLEAGUES,

We sincerely wish the happy and healthy new year to all my colleagues and their families. We are happy to accomplish the first issue of 2017.

There are 7 clinical research articles in this issue. The first four articles are about the sagittal parameters of the cervical region. This new concepts of cervical plane evaluation were reviewed in these articles. In the fifth article, spinal infections due to implants with air contamination have been evaluated. In the sixth study, sexual functions have been

evaluated in the patients with cervical disc disease. In the seventh and the last study, evaluation of our journal has done. We believe that all those studies will quietly interest the readers.

In this issue, two case reports were presented. First one is about the tethered cord syndrome. Second case has got thoracic intradural cavernoma.

In this issue, there is a review article about the cervical sagittal parameters.

In this issue, in the "Frontiers of the Spinal Surgery" section, the biography was presented about the Prof. Mehmet Zileli. The author of this article is Prof. Sait Naderi.

The "Marmara Spinal Group Meetings", which includes Istanbul and neighboring cities and which is conducted to increase the interests of especially assistants and new specialist on spinal surgery and to contribute to their trainings and to transfer the experiences of experienced colleagues and will be organized each month regularly by the regulatory board, and which Assoc. Prof. Dr. Onat ÜZÜMCÜGİL will perform the headship this year just elected and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Halil BURÇ perform the secretariat just elected, you can find the other meeting contents from the announcements section.

We wish healthy, successful and peaceful new year to Turkish Spinal Surgery family and we present our deepest respects.

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