



**Dear Colleagues,**

Once again, it is my great honor to be able to publish the Journal of Turkish Spinal Surgery for you, my esteemed colleagues. It is my sincere hope that it will continue to be a valuable reference that you will read and make use of in your professional lives. I also want to thank those of you who have given so generously of your time and talents and have provided articles for the journal. Without your munificent contributions our journal would cease to exist.

The Journal of Turkish Spinal Surgery ([www.jtss.org](http://www.jtss.org)), is the official publication of the Turkish Spine Society. We are very happy to announce that JTSS is currently indexed in eight Indices: Ulakbim, Türkiye Atıf Dizini, Index Copernicus, J-Gate, Europub, Proquest, Gale Cengage Learning and Ebsco Host.

This issue includes six clinical research studies, and two case reports. Please take the time to review it carefully, and make use of any new information or insights that you glean from it.

The first study is A Bibliographic Analysis of the 50 Most Cited Articles in Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis. In the second, one can read about The Relationship Between TLICS 1-3, and Functional and Radiological Outcomes, in Conservative Treatment of Thoracolumbar Vertebrae Fractures. The third article is A Radiological Study about Morphometry of the Subaxial Cervical Spine Pedicles in the Anatolian Population. The authors of the fourth study evaluated Radiological Normal Sagittal Vertebral Pelvis, and Global Vertebral-Pelvic Parameters, in a Young Adult Turkish Population. The fifth study is A Retrospective Investigation, in Army Officer Candidates, of Lumbosacral Transitional Anomalies, and any Relation with Sagittal Spinal Alignment and Coronal Spinal Asymmetry.

The authors of the sixth study wrote about Effects of Lumbar Microdiscectomy on Spinopelvic Parameters. While, in the seventh, a pilot study about Functional Recovery after Wharton's Jelly-Derived Mesenchymal Stem Cell Administration in a Patient with Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury. The eighth article is A Case Report about a Lumbar Intramedullary Dermoid Tumor in an Adult.

I hope you found this issue thought provoking and informative. I am dedicated to trying to provide our members with information regarding the latest developments in our field. It is only by doing this that we can stay abreast of the most current and ground breaking developments in our field.

I pray that all our Turkish spinal surgeons and their families will remain safe during these difficult times, and that the vaccines which are currently being administered will help bring this pandemic under control.

With kindest regards,

**Editor in Chief**

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