

Editorial

We are pleased to announce the second issue of Aurum Journal of Health Sciences (AJHS -A. J. Health Sci.) has been published. It consists of a case study from dentistry, a research paper to investigate antimicrobial effect of an extract, a research paper on essential oil composition of a plant, and a review article discussing the status of rare diseases and related orphan drugs in the world and Turkey. February 29 is celebrated as Rare Disease Day. The aim of this celebration is to raise awareness in society, and encourage further studies in the scientific field. It is known that although the name of the diseases is rare, their incidence is not rare. 6-7 million people only in Turkey are affected by these diseases. Therefore, supporting the researches in this field is also substantial in our country.

AJHS is published tri-annually as a peer-reviewed health sciences journal and aims to provide a platform for health science research with interdisciplinary discussions. Our vision is to contribute to publishing a journal taken part in national/international indexes. I received this mission from Assoc. Prof. Dr. Kaan Polatođlu, who brought the journal to life with great effort, and I became the new chief editor. The way to be a significant journal in scientific fields begins with small steps. We can make this newborn journal grow into adulthood together. We are looking forward to hearing from our esteemed academicians to share their ideas, works and joint studies with us.

I would like to thank all of our editors who contributed to the issue of our journal, and to thank our referees and all those who contributed to the evaluation of articles. I wish a successful year for AJHS.

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