TWENTY YEARS OF SCIENCE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF TURKISH JOURNAL OF GERIATRICS

Turkish Journal of Geriatrics (TJG), the official scientific publication of the Turkish Geriatrics Society (1), was first published in 1998 giving priority on the aging population both in Turkey and in the world with its previous name “Geriatri” (Figure 1).

The Journal has been indexed in Index Copernicus Master List, EMBASE, SCOPUS, ELSEVIER, EBSCO and “TR index of Turkish Academic Network and Information Center in The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBITAK-ULAKBİM-TR index)” for many years.

In 2008 the Journal has started to be indexed in the Science Citation Index Expanded and the Social Science Citation Index. These two recent indexes were established by Thomson Reuters (2). This exciting improvement has opened a “new” vision and has given more responsibility to the journal for 10 years. With this responsibility, the Editorial Team decided to enlarge its vision basically to the international population which also will help the Turkish scientists to be more acknowledged by their international colleagues meeting on the scientific platform of the journal. The name of the journal was changed to “Turkish Journal of Geriatrics (TJG)” (Figure 2a) and the format of the TJG has been renewed very recently with its first issue in 2018 (Figure 2b).
After indexed in SCI-exp and SSCI, the number of manuscript admissions increased sharply and to meet this demand, the editorial team has changed its structure as well. Editor in chief, expanded Editorial Team composed of national and international members, expanded national and international reviewers are currently working all together with their different scientific backgrounds in aging (3). Both health and social sciences aspects of aging are examined within the scope of the Journal.

Since now, 873 manuscripts in 78 issues were published (325 in the first 10 years and 548 in the second 10 years). Additionally, four special issues were also published. These special issues were prepared basically for the abstracts of the international congresses organized by the Turkish Geriatrics Society. The total page numbers from the beginning were counted as 5293. Thousands of authors (n=2986) contributed to the Journal and they cited 19,216 references.¹ The Editorial Team has shared this updated information of the Journal with its scientific team on 28th of February 2018 in its 20th anniversary meeting (4).

As the Editorial Team, we are very aware of the responsibility which TJG has given to us since many years.

We are committed to continuing our efforts to the improvement of the scientific work on aging related issues at the highest level of our agenda.

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¹ All issues of TJG (1998-2018)