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Dear Readers and Esteemed Authors,

We are delighted to present the first issue of the *Gülhane Medical Journal* in 2026 during the cold and rainy days of winter. In this season, when nature rests, the earth is nourished by rain, and life appears to slow down, the continuity of scientific production becomes even more evident. Winter is a season of patience, reflection, and preparation. Likewise, scientific research requires dedication, discipline, and continuity.

The original research articles, reviews, and case reports submitted to our journal over the past year have made significant contributions to maintaining and further enhancing our academic quality. The studies included in this issue provide current and practical insights into both the basic sciences and clinical disciplines and offer valuable data aimed at improving the quality of healthcare services.

The sustainability of scientific publishing depends not only on the meticulousness of editorial processes but also on the productivity and commitment of researchers to scientific advancement. On this occasion, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all authors who contribute to the regular and high-quality publication of our journal. The dedication of our colleagues—who share their scientific work with us despite demanding clinical responsibilities, educational commitments, and research obligations—remains one of the strongest pillars of our journal.

We would also like to extend our sincere appreciation to our reviewers and editorial board members for their valuable contributions to the peer-review process. Their commitment to upholding scientific objectivity and ethical principles forms the foundation of our journal's academic credibility.

We once again thank all contributors for bringing the warmth of scientific endeavor to these cold and rainy winter days, and we wish 2026 to be a year filled with health, success, and productive work. As the *Gülhane Medical Journal*, we remain committed to working resolutely toward our goal of increasing our scientific impact at both national and international levels.

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