## A new journal in the field of child infectious diseases: Journal of Pediatric Infectious Diseases

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## Dear Colleagues:

Welcome to the first issue of the Journal of Pediatric Infectious Diseases. I take pride, with this maiden issue to introduce you to the Journal of Pediatric Infectious Diseases. This journal is a peer-reviewed medical journal that publishes articles in the field of child infectious diseases. I hope the journal will appeal to a wide audience of general pediatricians, specialists in pediatric infectious diseases and other subdivisions of pediatrics such as neonatologists, nephrologists, hematologists etc. and pediatric surgeons, pediatric neurosurgeons and others connected with infectious diseases of children.

When new and atypical disorders are being described, their pathophysiological mechanisms are better understood with the advanced diagnostic tools available today. Knowledge of these disorders would help researchers in making management protocols by which child health would improve as a whole. I hope that Journal of Pediatric Infectious Diseases will provide an in-depth update on new subjects, apart from current and comprehensive coverage of the latest techniques in diagnosis and treatment of childhood infectious diseases.

Publication frequency of the journal is four times a year. Each quarterly issue shall have editorials, review articles, original articles and case reports. There will be sections on short communications, letters to editor and books reviews. The Journal of Pediatric Infectious Diseases encourages submissions from authors all over the world. Manuscripts are judged by two experts solely. All articles will be critically reviewed within 2 months, but longer delays are sometimes unavoidable. To speed the review process, electronic submission of articles is encouraged (jpid@med.yyu.edu.tr), if good enough they will be published quickly.

As the management board, we have worked over the past year to set up this journal. Our editorial board includes some of the most enthusiastic, diligent and productive specialists working in the field of child infectious diseases. We are certain that they will enable us to broaden the range of research and thus ensuring a widely read journal. I extend my sincere gratitude and thanks to all the members of the journal's editorial board. Special thanks are due to Dr. Yasar Cesur, the editorial assistant of the journal for his constant support and valued assistance in the preparation of the journal and its website (www.jpid.org). Last, but not the least, I thank the diligent staff of IOS press, which has worked very hard to produce a high quality journal.

Looking forward to years of quality issues.

With best wishes from Turkiye

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