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Editorial

Dear readers,

This issue starts with a unique animal study. In this experimental study on the diagnostic value of heat shock protein 32 in acute mesenteric ischemia that was conducted on rats, although a significant increase was observed in the tissue protein levels in study group rats the change was not reflected to its level in the blood. In this disease where early diagnosis is very important, each study sheds light on subsequent experiments.

Another study emphasizes the significance of parathyroid autotransplantation in the prevention of permanent hypocalcemia after thyroidectomy. The transient hy-pocalcemia rate in high-risk patients with autotransplantation was 37% while none of the patients developed permanent hypocalcemia. This finding is promising although there was no significant difference between this rate and the permanent hypocalcemia rate of %0,4 in patients without autotransplantation.

I am convinced that the study emphasizing that elective surgery in patients with early stage colorectal cancer offers better short-term results will yield even more valuable results in the case of re-evaluation in the long term for its effect on survival.

In addition to the study investigating early results of different techniques used in bariatric surgery, which can be called the epidemic of our era, there is a study that explores different access methods to the abdomen in laparoscopic cholecystectomy that is the pioneer of minimally invasive surgery. In the invited review from the United States of America, primary hyperparathyroidism is addressed in detail. Also in this issue, a study from a foreign country is included.

It is very pleasing to see that this issue contains more original articles than case reports. We are moving forward to our goal of being accepted to the Science Citation Index Expanded. Now a part of PubMed, the viewing number of our journal is increasing every month. I would like to remind the importance of choosing our magazine for publication of your experimental and clinical studies, as well as of using articles published in Turkish Journal of Surgery as references in your publications in foreign journals.

We inquire your on-going interest and contribution to our journal, hope to meet again in upcoming comprehensive issues, and thank to those all who have contributed.

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