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FROM THE EDITOR

Dear colleagues,

We are happy to present you the third and last issue of our journal this year. We have six research articles, one case report, and one letter to the editor in this issue. The first research article evaluates the reliability of flow cytometry in the diagnosis of STK4 deficiency and the results show that it is a rapid and reliable diagnostic method. The second article shows that 8 of the 250 patients receiving treatment with anti-rheumatic biological agents for one year had immediate hypersensitivity reactions and 5 had positive skin tests. This seems to be a lower prevalence rate than that reported previously. The third article shows the results of an investigation on the knowledge and experiences of grandmothers regarding food allergies in children. The authors conclude that the grandmothers in Turkey, who are responsible for the care of children, need to be educated on food allergies and especially food-related anaphylaxis. The fourth and fifth articles are about the knowledge levels of dentists on anaphylaxis and point out an important problem that we see in our daily clinical practice as allergists. The sixth article is a meta-analysis on COVID patients with asthma and shows an increased risk of mortality and ICU admission in these patients. The case report is on an unexpected side effect of montelukast. Finally, the letter presents the point of view of infectious disease physicians on antibiotic allergies.

We wish a Merry Christmas to those who are celebrating it, and a happy New Year to all. We hope that 2021 proves to be a healthy year for all mankind.

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Editor