

# Journal of the Turkish-German Gynecological Association

## Editorial



**Dear Colleagues,**

I am delighted to introduce the first issue of the “Journal of the Turkish-German Gynecological Association (J Turk Ger Gynecol Assoc)” in the publishing year of 2021. This first issue of year 2021 contains articles on subjects of obstetrics, oncology, gynecology and infertility.

As you know, telemedicine refers to the practice of caring for patients remotely when the doctor and patient are not physically present with each other. Modern technology has enabled doctors to consult patients by using video-conferencing tools. Here you will read a paper evaluating the feasibility of telephone interviews for patients in which non-urgent, conventional, post-operative check-up was suspended due to Coronavirus disease-2019 (COVID-19).

Catechol-O-methyltransferase (COMT), the product of the *COMT* gene, detoxifies the carcinogenic catechol estrogens. You will read an interesting paper examining the relationship between COMT Val158Met polymorphism and the risk of ovarian cancer.

Also you will get the occasion to read the consensus opinion and suggestions of “Turkish Society of Minimally Invasive Gynecological Oncology” for the preoperative evaluation and morcellation of fibroids, in line with the recent literature.

**Dear esteemed readers,**

As a result of the rising trend among academic journals, our journal will be published only online as of March 2021. The online version enables all readers to view, download and print the full-text of all published articles without any subscription or restrictions.

As part of our efforts to share scientific information with as many people as possible, we have added social media to Journal of the Turkish-German Gynecological Association’s range of communication channels. Our journal’s Twitter account began to actively share the journal’s content as of November 2020. Keep in touch with us by following us on Twitter @JtggaOfficial. I appreciate the work done by authors, reviewers and the editorial board, whose collaboration has resulted in production of the issues. On behalf of the editorial board, I wish you a happy and prosperous new year.

Best regards,

**Prof. Cihat Ünlü, M.D.**

**Editor in Chief of *J Turk Ger Gynecol Assoc***

**President of TGGF**