Acta Medica has completed the second year in the medical field as an open access journal, trying to surpass the achievements of its antecedent, Hacettepe Medical Journal. The second volume of Acta Medica in 2013 included 17 articles of reviews, original research articles, case reports and a technical note. We aim to increase the number of articles in 2014.

Dr. Selcuk Tunali separated from managing editor position in Acta Medica by the end of 2013. We are thankful to him for his time and dedicated efforts for the progress of the journal. The vacant managing editor position of Dr. Tunali was assigned with Dr. Sule Unal. Dr. Unal has joined the editing team with all her energy and motivation.

Acta Medica was approved by the Hacettepe University Senate. This will increase the number of manuscripts submitted by Hacettepe University Researchers in 2014. We are grateful to President of Hacettepe University, Prof. Murat Tuncer and Dean of Faculty of Medicine, Prof. Bulent Sivri for their continuous support to the Acta Medica, which definitely will contribute the improvement of the status of the journal.

In 2013, Acta Medica held an amazing course given by Prof. Levent Ozcakar for young investigators on the rules of manuscript writing. The course named ‘Let’s write a manuscript, LWM’ would not be that much great without his efforts. In 2014, we will repeat the course in May 2014 and hope to see students, residents and fellows who are interested in academical writing and wish to see the union of art and science roads.

In the previous year about 30% of the publications were from the institutions other than Hacettepe University. We expect more submissions from other institutions in the year 2014. We are very thankful to and proud of the dedicated Associate Editors, Editorial Board Members, Reviewers and the Authors who contributed Acta Medica. Acta Medica is your journal and it will improve with your contributions.