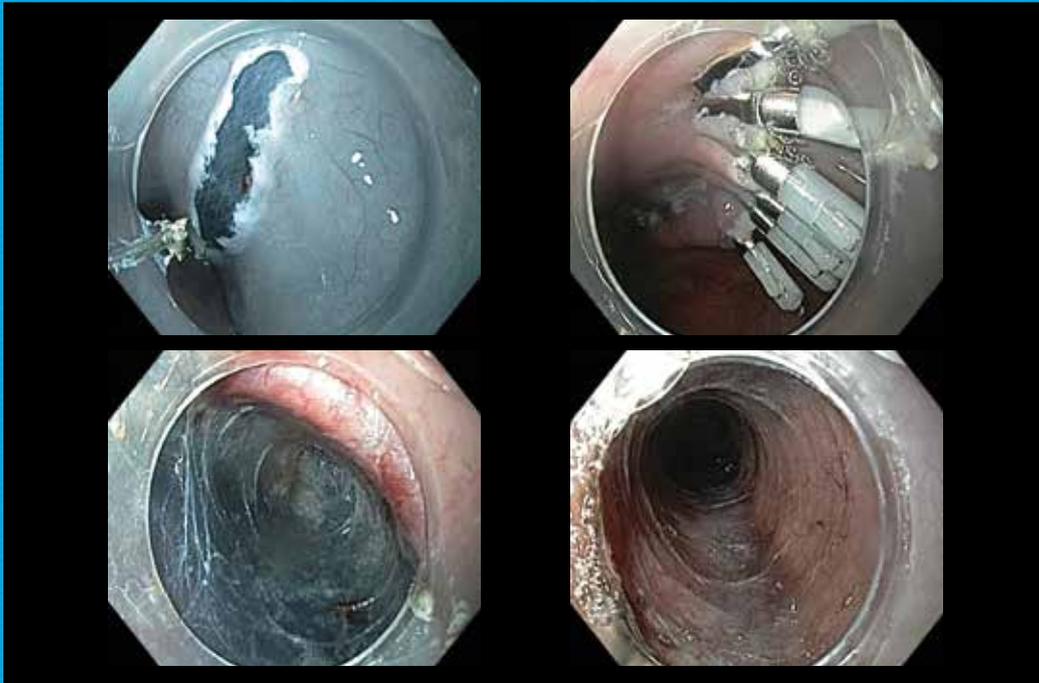




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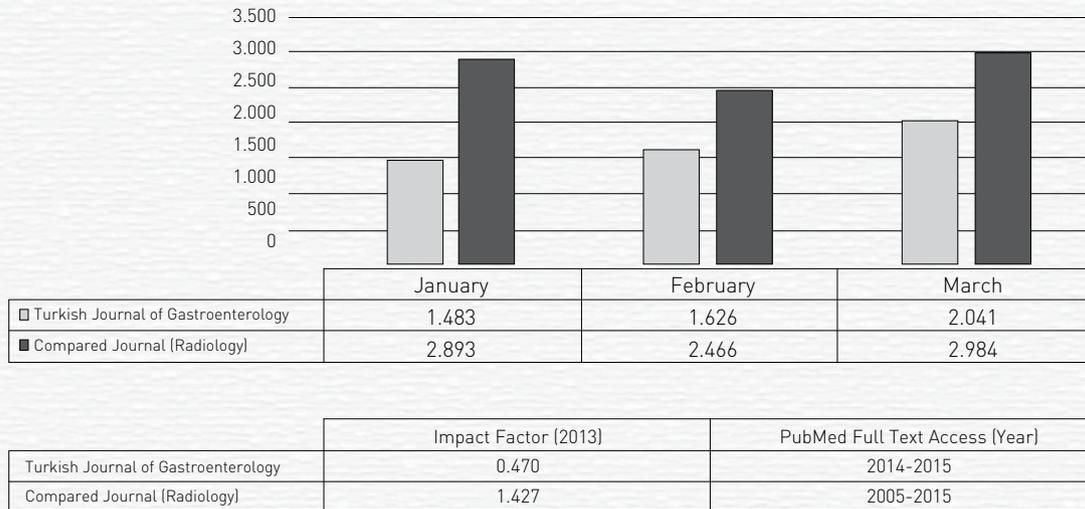
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Our May issue is online on May 1, 2015 as we planned and it will be so for every issue. As we published the supplement issue, we got rid of the problem of accumulated accepted articles. All accepted articles in our stock at the present time will be published ahead-of print (AOP) until the end of May and they all will appear in June issue. Our current review time is not more than one month. The prospective accepted articles will be published AOP, immediately, after they are accepted and galley proofs are confirmed. They will appear in the next issue as well. This means that, for a submitted study, on average, the review process will be 2-3 weeks, AOP time 4-5 weeks, and publication in issue, 6-7 weeks. The whole process will not be more than 8 weeks at the maximum. Currently, 29% of the submitted studies are accepted for publication.

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As it is seen in graphics, our journal's attraction via PubMed is increasing. We made a comparative analysis with Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology which has the highest impact factor from Turkey (1.43), and more than ten years of archive is downloadable from PubMed. TJG's impact factor is 0.47 and only 16 months of archive is downloadable from PubMed. Another interesting point is that both journals were started to be indexed in SCI-EXP at the same time: While the IF of radiology journal rose from 0.77 to 1.43 (nearly doubled in 5 years), TJG's IF did not change at all (2009: 0.48, 2013/14: 0.47).

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