



Editorial

The third issue of Insight Urology (ISU) has now been proudly published. It is comprised of 11 original articles, 2 case reports, and 1 review article, and covers several fields of urology, namely oncologic urology, pediatric urology, endourology, functional urology, andrology, and general urology. Interestingly, 13 articles were conducted by urologists and 1 article was conducted by radiologists. Ten articles were submitted from training centers, 3 articles were submitted from government hospitals, and 1 article was submitted from a private hospital. There are 3 prospective randomized control studies, 1 prospective cross-sectional study, and 7 retrospective studies. All of them are of excellent quality. We are certain that you will enjoy reading and applying the articles' content for your current urological practice.

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The COVID-19 pandemic is still a grave situation worldwide despite vaccinations. The infection rate in many countries is still high, while the mortality rate is decreasing. The virus mutates so that humans cannot protect themselves from it. It is still too soon to say whether the virus will shortly go away, so we must learn to live with it as the "new normal." The Editorial Board of ISU hopes that the white cover of this issue will symbolize our hope for peace for everyone in the world.

No reserve. No retreat. No regret.

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