

EDITORIAL

It is our pleasure to publish April 2006 Issue of the **Journal of International Society for the History of Islamic Medicine (Journal of ISHIM)**. We know that Journal of ISHIM is a scientific journal devoted to the **History of Islamic Medicine and Ethics** research and scholarship. Also, this issue like the earlier ones represents important studies in the **History of Islamic Medicine and Medical Ethics** which activate thinking and raise certain questions. So, it also tries to provide solutions to thorny and sensitive problems and the ensuing understanding helps in enlarging one's perception and intellectual horizon. The views of papers are always those of the authors, and it is important in a field like bioethics which encourages interaction and dialogue over scientific topics.

This issue contains some important scientific articles, in which, we can see and valuable original studies on **History of Islamic Medicine and Medical Ethics**. These articles are from famous scientists of many countries of the world. So, this journal helps to the development of researches on **the History of Islamic Medicine and Medical Ethics**. Papers of this issue are seen as two types: Review and Research. After 10 papers, news of some scientific meetings are present.

The first paper by Nurdeen DEURASEH is on "Health and Medicine in the Islamic Tradition Based on the Book of Medicine (Kitab al-Tıbb) of Shahih al-Bukhari". The second paper by Arish M.K. SHERWANI, Mashkoo AHMED, S. Aamina NAAZ, S.A. KHAN, Arij M.K. SHERWANI and M.Q. KHAN is about "Balneology: A Concept of Public Health-Bath Houses in Arabian Life". Another article by Ömer DÜZBAKAR and Özlem ERCAN is on "Notes on the Attar-Poets in Ottoman History: Reflections from the Shari'a Court Records of Bursa and Poets' Biographies". The fourth paper by Radhi JAWAD BAKER is on "Medical Services Expences and Doctors Remuneration –At the Times of the Arabic Islamic Civilization Era–". The fifth article by Ömer DÜZBAKAR is about "Abortion in the Islamic-Ottoman Legal Systems". Another paper by İnci HOT, Esin KARLIKAYA and Murat CİVANER is about "Notes from the 10th International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent". The seventh paper by Elif ATICI is about "Situation of Research Ethics Committees in Turkey". The eighth paper by Ayşegül DEMİRHAN ERDEMİR and Öztan ÖNCEL is on "A Famous Turkish Physician from Military Medical School: Dr. Refik Saydam and His Public Health Works". The ninth paper by Arish MK SHERWANI, Arij MK SHERWANI and Ali Balig AZAM is on "Al-Razi: A Great Arab Epidemiologist – Al-Razi & His Life Time Achievements". The last paper by Abdul Nasser KAADAN and Motassen Hassan DABABO is on "Ranula in the Arab Medical Heritage".

Wishing April 2006 Issue of the **Journal of ISHIM**, to be beneficial to all readers and colleagues.

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