

Editorial



I invite you to get the latest updates on ESPAI meetings and activities from <http://www.espai-eg.org/scientific.htm>. ESPAI 2019 International Congress will be held in September 25-26 at Cairo Sheraton Hotel. Abstract submission and registration will be open on January 1st, 2019. The congress will host a World allergy Training School (WATS) and there will also be eminent international speakers from the American College of Allergy Asthma and Immunology (ACAAI). Our upcoming workshop on drug allergy will be held in December 2018 in the Children's Hospital of Ain Shams University. The program and list of speakers and trainers will appear soon on ESPAI's website and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/pg/TheESPAI/>)

This issue of the Egyptian Journal of Pediatric Allergy and Immunology contains many state of the art articles. The review article tackles the subject of using inhaled corticosteroids in early life wheeze. The keynotes from this review are worth mentioning as it outlines the indications and adverse effects in a nutshell.

The original articles were carefully selected after peer-reviewing by International and local experts in the field. The Critical Level of Vitamin D in Childhood Asthma explored in the first article. The authors discussed the value and limitations of tracing this vitamin in asthmatic children. The second article is a study that sought to investigate the problem of antibiotic usage as a part of treatment of acute asthma among children. It raises a question about the abuse of antibiotics in the Egyptian market and its consequences.

An English/Arabic glossary that contains a list of allergy and immunology relevant terms and expressions is included as well as a collection of abstracts from recent international publications in allergy/immunology. Do not forget to take a glance on the list of upcoming Allergy/Immunology global events in our journal's calendar.

I would like to remind you that the WAO e-letter (News & Notes) is displayed on our website both in English and Arabic on monthly basis. You will find reviews of recent international publications.

We look forward to receiving some feedback about this issue; you may contact us through the "contact us" icon on your left-hand side.

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