Dear colleagues,

In the current issue, the original research article by Pastras et al. assesses the impact of hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection on non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) patients and evaluates their clinical and laboratory characteristics. In parallel, this original article examines the association of HBV-NAFLD coexistence with liver disease development.

Moreover, this issue includes five review articles. The first review by Mageiropoulou et al. summarizes the latest data regarding the clinical manifestations, evaluation, diagnosis, and current treatment options in thyroid diseases, in adults. The review by Tsiri et al. provides the current knowledge concerning the recently published data on the chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) characteristics, in order to suggest a therapeutic algorithm. The review by Kalafateli M. focuses on liver complications related to immune

checkpoint inhibitors treatment, and discusses the incidence, diagnosis and treatment strategy, currently used in this setting. The review by Psaromyalou et al. presents data on hyperthermia, a medical emergency which can lead to multi-organ dysfunction and even death if left untreated, pointing out the wide differential diagnosis of this condition and the great attention that emergency medicine physicians should provide. Lastly, the review by Armeni et al. provides knowledge regarding pathophysiology, clinical manifestations, underlying aetiologies, and related treatments in adrenal insufficiency.

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