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The Ralph and Melissa Daniel Young Physician Nail Merit Award 2018

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Dear Editor,

It was announced by the European Nail Society (ENS) that the Ralph and Melissa Daniel Young Physician Nail Merit Award would be given to a young dermatologist in the first quarter of 2018. Based on this announcement, Dr. Fatih Göktaş nominated me for this distinguished award with regard to my studies related to nail disorders. An award committee consisting of the board of trustees of the ENS found me suitable for the award. It was presented by the president of the ENS, Dr. Bianca Maria Piraccini, at the annual meeting of the ENS in Paris on September 12, 2018.

I would like to thank Ralph and Melissa Daniel for planning such an encouraging award for beginner onychologists and Dr. Fatih Göktaş for motivating me to study nail disorders and recommending me as a candidate for this award. I owe a debt of gratitude to the Turkish Society of Dermatology for their scholarship that enabled me to attend the 27th European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology (EADV) Congress and the annual meeting of the ENS (Fig. 1). Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to the board of trustees of the ENS.

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Fig. 1. A commemorative photograph from the conclusion of the annual meeting of the ENS (left to right): Prof. Fatih Göktaş, MD; Zeynep M. Altan Ferhatoğlu, MD; Prof. Bianca Maria Piraccini, MD, president of the ENS; Prof. Güneş Gür Aksoy, MD, president of the Turkish Society of Dermatology.