

Editorial

Barw Medical Journal, Why?!

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In low and middle-income (developing) countries, there is a huge shortage of scientific output in spite of the highest burden of disease [1]. Researches affiliated with developing countries form a small fraction of the literature [2]. This may be due to a lack of resources on one hand and little attention of the related persons to written communication from these countries on the other hand [1,3].

Hydatid disease (HD) and pilonidal sinus (PNS) are two most obvious examples of diseases that have almost vanished in western countries and continue to be prevalent and evolve in the low-income population. When a disease continues to exist over a period of time, it is quite an accepted idea that it changes the trend from epidemiology to diagnosis and management, so it needs continuous assessment and studies [4-6].

Richard Smith, the editor of the British Medical Journal once stated that editors of high-ranking journals who are mostly affiliated with developed countries are denying accepting articles from developing countries due to the little interest of their readers and the low volume of submissions from these countries [2].

Barw Medical Journal is a modern attempt to support and guide the researchers and research institutes from low and middle-income countries to participate in the evolution of the current scientific communication and fill the gap of publishing found in the literature between the developing and developed countries. The editors of Barw Medical Journal will do their best to alter the current reputation of developing countries from the scientific perspective to the highest possible standard.

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