

Editorial

Razi Medical Journal: Launching a New Journal and Call for Paper**Ahmed Atia^{1*}**, **Mohamed Elfagieh²**¹Department of Anesthesia and Intensive Care, Faculty of Medical Technology, University of Tripoli, Tripoli, Libya²Al-Razi University, Misurata, LibyaCorresponding email. ah.atia@uot.edu.ly**Dear Colleagues and Researchers,**

We are delighted to announce the launch of Razi Medical Journal (RMJ), a new peer-reviewed, open-access medical journal committed to fostering innovation, collaboration, and excellence in medical research and practice. As the editorial team, we enthusiastically invite you to contribute your groundbreaking work to our inaugural issue. The field of medicine is advancing at an unprecedented pace, driven by groundbreaking discoveries, emerging technologies, and evolving healthcare challenges. RMJ strives to be a premier platform for publishing high-quality research, clinical insights, and transformative ideas that will shape the future of healthcare. Our mission is to bridge the gap between research and practice, fostering collaboration among diverse perspectives to address the most pressing issues in modern medicine.

We welcome submissions across all areas of medicine, including clinical research, translational medicine, public health, medical education, healthcare technology, and medical ethics. Our editorial board comprises leading experts who will ensure a fair and thorough review process, maintaining the highest standards of academic integrity.

As an open-access journal, RMJ ensures that your research is freely accessible to researchers, clinicians, and policymakers worldwide, maximizing its visibility and impact. We encourage submissions that emphasize interdisciplinary approaches, fostering collaboration across specialties and promoting holistic patient care. Peer review remains a cornerstone of our manuscript evaluation process. Our distinguished Editorial Board is dedicated to providing timely, rigorous, and fair assessments while upholding the highest standards of scientific integrity. We are committed to ensuring equal opportunities for studies from diverse research communities. Additionally, we aim to accelerate the publication process by reducing the time between acceptance and final publication while continuously enhancing RMJ's standing. To increase the journal's visibility, we are prioritizing indexing initiatives, including subscribing to Crossref and assigning a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) to every published article.

The concept of the "impact factor" has gained significant attention in academic publishing. However, journals must demonstrate their scholarly value over time before being indexed in the Science Citation Index and receiving an official impact factor.

To enhance RMJ's visibility, we are actively pursuing indexing and archiving in multiple databases. While our primary goal is indexation in Index Medicus and related databases, we are also working towards listing RMJ in the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ), EBSCO, Google Scholar, and eventually, Web of Science. We encourage you to take advantage of our free submission and publication process and the resources provided by the Open Journal Systems (OJS) – Public Knowledge Project, including plagiarism and reference checkers [1,2]. Open access aligns with our mission to disseminate and share scholarly knowledge globally. Studies indicate that freely accessible online articles are gaining widespread traction, with most commercial open-access models being supported by authors.

We are confident that RMJ will grow into a leading medical journal, and we eagerly welcome your valuable contributions. Wishing you a successful and productive year in 2025 and beyond.

Warm regards,**The Razi Medical Journal's Editorial Team****References**

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