

Letter from the editor

It is my pleasure to welcome you to **Volume 36, Issue 2** of the Journal of Pakistan Association of Dermatologists (JPAD). Research insight in this journal deserves to be read and practiced because the journal issue is not merely a collection of manuscripts, it reflects the collective efforts of researchers, reviewers, editors, and clinicians who share a common goal of advancing patient care through scientific inquiry.

This issue brings together original research, review articles, case reports, and educational contributions that address diverse aspects of dermatology. Each

manuscript has undergone rigorous peer review, and I sincerely thank our authors for entrusting their work to JPAD and our reviewers for their time, expertise, and commitment to maintaining scientific quality.

Over the past few months, JPAD has continued its journey of academic growth and modernization. The introduction of Crossref DOI services, application for DOAJ indexing, upgradation of our Online Journal System (OJS), expansion of our national and international reviewer pool, strengthening of our digital presence, and launch of initiatives such as the Author Support Program and the Best Reviewer Award all reflect our commitment to enhancing the quality, visibility, and credibility of the journal. These developments are not destinations in themselves; they are important milestones toward building a stronger and more globally recognized scientific platform.

The theme that best defines our present journey is **"From Publication to Impact"**. Publishing research is only the beginning. The true value of scientific work lies in its ability to improve clinical practice, stimulate new research, influence policy, inspire young investigators, and ultimately benefit our patients. As editors, I believe our responsibility extends beyond processing manuscripts and we must foster a culture where high-quality research is encouraged, critically evaluated, widely disseminated, and translated into meaningful clinical practice.

Pakistan possesses immense academic talent and a vibrant dermatology community. However, there remains tremendous opportunity to strengthen multicenter collaborations, generate relevant evidence, promote skin-of-color research, develop disease registries, and improve research methodology. JPAD aims to serve not only as a publication platform but also as a catalyst for these academic endeavors. Through collaboration with our authors, reviewers, institutions, and professional societies, we aspire to contribute meaningfully to the regional and global dermatology literature.

Looking ahead, our priorities remain clear: to further strengthen scientific standards, broaden international collaborations, enhance the journal's visibility, and continue progressing toward wider indexing and global recognition. These objectives can only be achieved through collective effort, constructive feedback, and the continued support of our dermatology community.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the President PAD (Pakistan Association of Dermatologists), Cabinet members, Editorial Board, reviewers & authors and every reader whose trust and contributions continue to shape the future of JPAD. I invite you to read this issue, share your valuable feedback, and consider contributing your future scientific work to the journal. Together, let us ensure that the research we publish does not merely occupy journal pages but advances dermatological knowledge, improves patient care, and leaves a lasting academic impact.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Aisha Ghias'.

Dr. Aisha Ghias, Editor JPAD