

Acknowledging the Reviewers

Dear colleagues and reviewers

As we are cognizant of the fact that publication of research and other pedagogical activities in any field is the most appropriate modus of recognition of work. The process from submission to reviewing and editing of manuscripts is a tedious job and needs a team of editors and reviewers who could devote their prime time to accomplish job in a coherent manner. As a matter of fact and policy of many journals, reviewers' names are not acknowledged for sake of transparency. Scientists have multitier activities related to teaching, research, attending symposia, writing papers and grant writing and reviewing manuscripts. These tasks are time demanding and are recognized by their universities or agencies at the time of their appraisal. On the other hands, peer reviewing papers sounds to be the Rodney Dangerfield's "I get no respect" of a reviewer's duties. In 2009, Science for Policy Project (SPP) report emphasized on strengthening the peer review by using scientific regulatory tools. This report also stress scientific journals to improve the quality of peer reviews, for example, by acknowledging top reviewers or giving reviewers feedback on the quality of their reviews, perhaps from the authors themselves. To expand the pool of reviewers, we have included junior faculty members and graduates to mentor on peer review. The said step has been taken on feedback from our senior reviewers that they often involve junior faculty in review process but under supervision to keep the process transparent and a good learning opportunity for juniors. Peer review is often considered to a jury duty which needs honesty, impartial and selflessness. I do accept it is time consuming but every time I do review a manuscript, I learn many new things and this also strengthens my faculty of memory recall.

Being editor of PJR, I submit to my valued reviewers that the Pakistan Journal of Radiology is YOUR journal. The editorial board, management team of PJR wants to thanks all reviewers who have contributed their precious time in accomplishing the requested task in a very timely and impressive manner. The PJR continues to publish high-quality articles with the assistance of high-quality reviewers.

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