SEASONAL AFFECTIVE DISORDER AMONG UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS IN PESHAWAR DISTRICT - RETRACTION



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We, the Editorial Team, have retracted the following article: Jamal I, Khalil A, Faiz T, Gul E, Mufti AA, Pirzada MM. Retracted—Seasonal Affective Disorder Among Undergraduate Students In Peshawar District. J Pak Psychiatr Soc. 2024;21(03):17-20. doi: https://doi.org/10.63050/jpps.21.03.310

On 20th October 2024, one authors of this paper submitted a complaint to the Editor-in-Chief of JPPS for misrepresentation of authorship in the article.

On behalf of the Editorial Board of JPPS, the Editor-in-Chief notified the "Constitution of Special Assignment Committee for Transparent Grievance Addressal & Conflict Resolution" for the matter. This committee comprised senior members of the Editorial Board and Pakistan Psychiatric Society.

Upon a careful review of the matter by the committee, it became evident that the authorship contributions and positions were not agreed upon prior to submission, leading to a dispute that could not be amicably resolved. Thus, it was concluded that the retraction of this article must be issued due to unresolved conflicts regarding authorship positions, which violate the journal's ethical standards and authorship guidelines.

As per the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) guidelines, it is critical for all co-authors to have a clear and documented understanding of their respective roles in the research and writing process. However, the lack of such an agreement has compromised the integrity of this article.

This retraction has been implemented to maintain the high ethical standards and trustworthiness of the journal. The retracted article has been clearly marked as "Retracted" on our website and all related platforms, accompanied by this notice explaining the reasons for the retraction.

No institutional investigation or sanctioning by the Journal is indicated.

AK confirmed agreement to the retraction, while IJ, TF, EG, AAM and MMP did not respond to the decision notification.

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