

## About JSMBBMU

- Journal name

Journal of Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Medical University

- Abbreviation

J Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Med Univ

- Editorial Team

## Aims and Scope:

JSMBBMU is the official journal of Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Medical University, Larkana.

This is open access, peer-reviewed, quarterly journal. The Journal aims to provide an accessible, authentic, and ethical forum for the local and international researchers and scholars to share their valuable research work. Besides, the Journal will also provide an important platform for the medical students across the world to share their research work and get authentic review from the experts in the field. The Journal accepts all medical and allied sciences' original research work. The Journal will welcome the researchers from both, the clinical as well as basic medical sciences, community health sciences, nursing, physiotherapy, and so on. The qualitative and quantitative research work from the field of medical education will also be accepted. The Journal re-affirms its policies and aims to contribute positively and strongly to the culture of publication ethics.

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2. Drafting the work or revising it critically for important intellectual content; AND
3. Final approval of the version to be published; AND
4. Agreement to be accountable for all aspects of the work in ensuring that questions related to the accuracy or integrity of any part of the work are appropriately investigated and resolved.

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- Instruction for authors

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- Submission checklist:
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- Submission document
- Submission fee

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