Dear colleagues,

Assalam-o-Alaikum

Today we have created history. The scientific committee of Pak Orthocon 2014 is delighted to present this special issue of JPMA. It has published manuscripts of all our accepted papers for Orthocon 2014. This has never happened before in any POA Event.

A total of 88 manuscripts were received from all over the country and abroad. Fourteen manuscripts were initially rejected by JPMA on account of plagiarism. The remaining 74 articles were reviewed by two independent reviewers of the same sub-specialty. In case of a contradictory result, a third reviewer was requested to give final recommendations. Twenty five manuscripts required a third review. A constant effort was done to maintain strict confidentiality and transparency during the whole review process.

A total of 41 manuscripts have finally been accepted. The organizing and scientific committee of Orthocon 2014 appreciates the timely effort and contribution of our faculty in helping us complete the review process. Their efforts will go a long way in raising the academic standards of Orthocon 2014. We are hopeful that subsequent scientific committees of future Orthocons will be able to carry this academic torch forward and light it even brighter.

Please do let us know of your feedback & comments.

With best regards.

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