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Farhad Pishgar, MD MPH, is currently a senior research assistant at Non-communicable Diseases Research Center at Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran. Farhad went to medical school there back in 2010, and in 2013, he was among the 40 scholars who were selected to study MPH in a dual degree program at the school. Completing these degrees, Farhad was provided with foundational knowledge and skills in clinical medicine as well as the science and practice of the public health. He was equipped with the necessary tools and knowledge to address the health challenges and complex health issues both on individual and population levels.

Farhad joined the scientific teams of Non-communicable Diseases and Uro-oncology Research Centers at Tehran University of Medical Sciences back in 2015. His aspiration for public health and his knowledge in urological sciences led him to collaborate in several projects on estimating the burden of diseases, including the urological malignancies, at national and subnational levels at these centers. His works resulted in the publication of more than 25 peer-reviewed scientific papers, most of which are multicenter projects through collaboration with international institutes, including the University of Washington, the University of Southern California, the University of British Columbia, and the Johns Hopkins University.

Through his academic career, Farhad won several honors and awards; gold medal of national and silver medal of international student biology Olympiads, the prestigious AVECINNA Award for the best medical researcher, and the Farin Kamangar Award for the outstanding medical research, to name some.

“I view peer-review, not only as the basic tool to optimize scientific methods of articles and reporting of findings but also as an educational opportunity to authors and the reviewers themselves. I would like to appreciate the policies of the Urology Journal to engage early-career researchers in the journal’s peer-review practice.”

Farhad was chosen as the best reviewer of the issue by the editorial board of the Urology Journal for his valuable and timely review of manuscripts.