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This is to confirm that the article entitled "Humanitarian approach in medicine: a study of clinical empathy among medical students and graduates using Jefferson Scale of Empathy" submitted to the *Indian Journal of Medical Ethics* is original and has been co-authored by the undersigned.

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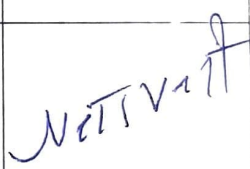


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