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Dear Sir,

This is to confirm that the article entitled "Perception of Indian medical teachers towards publication related criteria for academic promotion in India" is original and co-authored by the undersigned. All authors have participated in the work sufficiently to meet the ICMJE guidelines for authorship. All have read and approved the manuscript.

In this study, we have explored the perception of Indian medical teachers towards publication related criteria for academic promotion. The findings of our study reflect perceptions and concerns of medical teachers for the promotion criteria. It also includes how publication criteria can be redefined. We feel this study should be of interest to a broad readership including all specialty medical teachers and suited for your journal.

The submission is not under consideration for publication in any other journal. We give consent to **Dr. Tejas K Patel** to act as the author for correspondence. This manuscript did not receive any funding and all the authors do not have any conflict of interest. We have read the terms and conditions of authorship of IJME and accept them.

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