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Dear Reviewer,

Subject: Financial benefit for reviewers.

We thank our reviewers for supporting us. We had offered the reviewers benefits of reviewing manuscripts for which authors obtained paid services of the Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research in preparation of manuscript. We would like to disclose our current position on this.

The response to our journal has been very encouraging. However, the number of authors obtaining our services as against those preparing their manuscripts themselves has been very small, with ratio less than 1:25 in favor of unpaid manuscripts. Further the manuscripts which *do* require our service often do not fall under the same specialty in which a particular reviewer has been doing the honorary reviews for us.

Many reviewers have also sent in their own work to be published. If accepted, this in a way compensates for their work, as reviewer, as all Case reports and Original articles are offered rewards.

However, there are some reviewers who are yet to receive any benefit from our side.

We write this letter to disclose our inability to guarantee provision for a paid review. We also feel it will be unfair on our part to continue using reviewer services without declaring our position. If you are such a reviewer and would not like to review for us in the future we shall totally understand this. We thank you for the time and support you have offered to JCDR. You can inform us of your intention by sending email to [editor-for-review@jcdr.net](mailto:editor-for-review@jcdr.net).

If however, you choose to remain as one of our reviewers we will be highly obliged by your commitment.

There is no change in our working arrangement; we would give benefits to reviewers if and when we receive a paid manuscript.

Sincerely yours,

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