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The IJWD publishes articles pertaining to dermatologic medical, surgical and cosmetic issues faced by female patients and their children. We are interested in original research articles, review articles, unusual case reports, new treatments, clinical trials, education, mentorship and viewpoint articles. Very important articles will have accompanying editorials. Topics which our subsection editors look forward to welcoming include acneiform disorders, inflammatory skin conditions, infections, including sexually transmitted diseases, autoimmune conditions, blistering diseases, vitiligo, skin of colour, hair and nail disorders, skin cancers, pregnancy and childbirth, pediatric dermatology, vulvar/genital disorders, psychodermatology, surgical issues, laser/peel/cosmetic procedures, and dermatopathology. Articles dealing with ethical issues in dermatology and medical legal scenarios are also welcome. We aim for rapid peer review from the academic leadership of the WDS as well as experts throughout the world. We will have open access of the accepted peer-reviewed articles even before the final proofs are compiled, allowing the work to be available as soon as possible. We cater to an audience of dermatologists, scientists, educational experts, family practitioners, pediatricians, gynaecologists and obstetricians, plastic surgeons, rheumatologists, internists, family physicians and pharmacologists.

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- Hair Issues and Alopecia in Female Patients
- Nail Issues of Female Patients
- Infectious Cutaneous Diseases Seen in Women
- Genetic Conditions Passed on by Mothers
- Endocrine Disorders Including Menopause and Their Impact on the Skin of Women
- Acne and Rosacea in Women
- Psychodermatology Issues in Women
- Collagen Vascular Diseases that Impact the Skin of Women
- Tropical Diseases in Women
- Blistering Diseases in Women
- Pigmented Lesions in Women, Dermoscopy, Confocal
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- Surgical Issues in our Children
- Impact of Pediatric Dermatologic Issues on the Family

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