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Frequency of Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamases-Producing *Escherichia coli* Among Out- and In-patients in Rafsanjan City, Iran

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1 Original submission

2 comments · 22 Feb 2023 – 4 Mar 2023

Fateh Rahimi Reviewer

REJECT 22 Feb 2023

Dear Editor in Chief
The quality of the manuscript is low, and I could not find any novelty in it. There are a lot of high-quality manuscripts in this field in Iran. The manuscript has not been designed or written well (the topic is ESBL, but there is no explanation of how ESBL was detected or of the criteria used), and in my opinion, it is not acceptable for publication in Jundishapur Journal of Microbiology or other ISI journals.

Sincerely

Referee 1 Reviewer

REJECT 4 Mar 2023

The paper reports the Frequency of Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamases (ESBL)-Producing Escherichia coli among Out- and In-Patients in Rafsanjan City, Iran.
The paper is within the scope of the journal but offers little novelty, lacks sufficient data, and makes a poor contribution to the field.

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Revision 1

AUTHORS' RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Authors' reply to reviewers

The next pages contain the authors' point-by-point reply to the comments of this revision round, as submitted with the revised manuscript. It is published as the authors wrote it.

Editor-in-chief of JMM and reviewers

Hi.

The article "Frequency of Extended-Spectrum Beta-Lactamases-Producing *Escherichia coli* among Out- and In-Patients in Rafsanjan City, Iran" with code ID 133216 was corrected and highlighted in the text by authors and sent back to JMM for the next decision.

It should be noted that the following correction was made: *(*Reviewers 1 and 2)

- Correcting the text of the Manuscript (scientific and grammatical).

- The manuscript was corrected based on IEC Instructions.

- The majority of the discussion was rewritten based on the reviewer's advice (novelty, Etc)

- The identification of ESBL strains was discussed in the text in the method section on the topic"3*.2. Antimicrobial susceptibility and ESBLs isolate detection*". *(*Reviewer 2)

Best wishes for the JMM

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2 Revision 1

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No public comments in this round.