Abstract:

It is well over half a century since a systematic approach has been launched to the study of history of medicine through the pioneering endeavors of distinguished scholars such as the late Dr Nadjmabadi and others. Fortunately, we have been witnessing the emergence of numerous studies which are based on scientifically conducted methodology, over the past decades. A rational and institutionalized approach, however, has been outstanding until the Iranian Academy of Medical Sciences decided to incorporate the articles on the Iranian History of Medicine in its newly published “Quarterly Journal of Traditional Medicine.” This study investigates the ways deemed appropriate for future development of this field in the region as well as the challenges faced by students engaged in defining the problems to be tackled.

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