**COVERING LETTER**

To,

The Editor in Chief

AJMS

**Sub:** Submission of Manuscript for publication

Dear Sir,

We intend to publish an original research article entitled **“A study on the correlation of Matrix Metalloproteinase MMP1 in COPD and Smoking in the North Indian Population”** in your esteemed journal as an Original Research Article On behalf of all the contributors I will act and guarantor and will correspond with the journal from this point onward. Due to unavoidable circumstances there was delay in uploading the final copy, the paper being accepted on Acceptance May 12th 2016. Sir if any further revision is required, please do write to us. Please consider our original research article for publication in the upcoming Journal, we shall be highly obliged.

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Thanking you,

Yours’ sincerely,

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