



Letter from Editor-in Chief

Dear Colleagues and Fellow Scientists,

Science is a shared journey of discovery. It's about asking the right questions, exploring the unknown, and improving life for people around the world. But today, the process of sharing scientific work—through journals and publications—has become increasingly difficult for many researchers.

We often talk about how science is for everyone, but the publishing world does not always reflect that. There are rising costs, strict journal metrics, and a growing perception that unless your work appears in a high-impact journal, it doesn't really count. This creates pressure on researchers—especially young scientists or those working in countries with limited funding. Many feel they must either publish in expensive, elite journals or settle for predatory journals with little peer review. This is a serious problem. **Good science should not be judged only by where it is published, but by its quality and contribution.**

At *Vita Scientia*, we want to help change that.

We started this journal because we believe that every researcher deserves a fair chance to share their work. Not just those from well-known institutions or wealthy countries, but also those who are building new labs, working in underfunded areas, or tackling region-specific problems. We offer a **double-blind peer review process**, and our editorial team includes scientists from different parts of the world. We make sure that submissions are reviewed fairly and that financial constraints do not stop good research from being seen.

While keeping our publication affordable is important, our mission goes beyond cost. We want to create a space where early-career scientists are guided, not judged only by numbers. A place where local or regional research is valued alongside global breakthroughs. **A journal that respects both established voices and new ones.**

We also believe that science must stay connected to real-world impact—whether that means helping farmers grow better crops, preserving biodiversity, understanding disease, or exploring life at the molecular level. Our team represents a wide range of biological sciences, from plant and animal biology to biotechnology, microbiology, and more. What unites us is a shared belief in fairness, quality, and accessibility.

We are also aligning *Vita Scientia* with important academic systems like UGC, NAAC, Scopus, PubMed etc. We want our authors—whether they are master's students, PhD scholars, or faculty—to receive the recognition they deserve in their academic careers.

Our first issue is going to be online in July 2025, and we are now open for submissions. We invite you to send your original research, reviews, short communications, or technical notes. We also welcome scientists who want to contribute as reviewers, mentors, or editorial advisors. *Vita Scientia* is a journal shaped by its community, and we hope you will be part of it.

This is more than the start of a journal. It is the beginning of a more inclusive and balanced publishing space—one where science can be shared openly and respectfully, across borders and backgrounds.

If you believe in this vision, we warmly invite you to walk with us.

With sincere regards,
Dr. Shiv Mani Dubey
Chief Editor, *Vita Scientia*