National Institute of Health, Pakistan

Department-wise Publication List 2020–2026

Peer-reviewed publications grouped by current NIH Institute/Center (post-2021 re-organization), then by year

Publications by department and year

Department (current entity)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	Total
National Health Laboratory	25	56	38	35	33	47	17	251
Center for Disease Control (CDC)	7	18	15	5	3	5	6	59
Drug Control & Traditional Medicines	7	8	8	3	3	4	6	39
Health Research Institute (HRI)	–	2	6	9	5	3	–	25
Vaccine & Biological Products Center	–	–	5	2	1	4	1	13
Allergy Center	–	–	2	–	–	3	2	7
Institute of Nutrition & Health	–	–	–	–	1	1	–	2
Total	**39**	**84**	**74**	**54**	**46**	**67**	**32**	**396**

Old division → current entity (2021 re-organization)

Old / legacy division(s)	Current Institute / Center
Public Health Laboratories Division – Surveillance wing; Field Epidemiology & Disease Surveillance; FELTP	Center for Disease Control (CDC)
Public Health Laboratories Division – Testing wing; Department of Virology; Department of Microbiology	National Health Laboratory
Biological Production Division (BPD); Sera Processing; Animal House; Veterinary Farms	Vaccine & Biological Products Center
Pakistan Health Research Council (PHRC)	Health Research Institute (HRI)

Nutrition Division (Directorate of Nutrition Survey)	Institute of Nutrition & Health
Drugs Control Division	Drug Control & Traditional Medicines
Allergy Unit	Allergy Center

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