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Abstract: Research performance in Iran has increased appreciably during the recent years especially in regard to the output of scientific publication. This development can be explicitly seen in the basic sciences including medicine and its subspecialties. Isfahan University of Medical Sciences plays a determining role in this development. The purpose of this survey is to evaluate quantitatively the scientific productivity of this university from the beginning (1985) till the end of 2006. The study was conducted according to the data recorded in the web Of Science (WOS) and Medline. The findings indicate a significant increase in scientific production indexed both in Medline and WOS after 2000 which is greatly due to the paper award system set up by Iranian Ministry of Health; development of the university network; delivering internet services to the academic staff; accessibility of medical databases, electronic journals and full text collections; and finally university advanced workshops on paper writing all started in the year 2000.

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