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This document provides a summary of each journal's scope, Registered Reports publication information and where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry form.

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BMC MEDICINE

Journal title	BMC Medicine
Publishing group	Springer Nature
Summary of journal scope	BMC Medicine is a selective open access, transparent peer-reviewed general medical journal. BMC Medicine publishes outstanding and influential research in all areas of clinical practice, translational medicine, medical and health advances, public health, global health, policy, and general topics of interest to the biomedical and sociomedical professional communities. Peer review metrics are reported annually (2021).
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	BMC Medicine Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	bmcmedicineeditorial@biomedcentral.com



CANCER MEDICINE

Journal title	Cancer Medicine
Publishing group	Wiley
Summary of journal scope	Cancer Medicine is a peer-reviewed, open access, interdisciplinary journal providing rapid publication of cuttingedge research from global biomedical researchers across the cancer sciences. We think that the best research should be published and made widely accessible as quickly as possible, so we aim to respond to submissions with speed and efficiency.
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Cancer Medicine Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	cancermed@wiley.com



CANCER REPORTS

Journal title	Cancer Reports
Publishing group	Wiley
Summary of journal	Cancer Reports is a sound science international, peer-reviewed,
scope	open access journal publishing basic, translational, clinical and interdisciplinary research in cancer biology, diagnosis, treatment, outcome, supportive care, epidemiology and health disparities. The journal considers data-driven, scientifically valid discoveries. We think that the best research should be published and made widely accessible as quickly as possible, so we aim to respond to submissions with speed and efficiency.
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Cancer Reports Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	cancerreports@wiley.com



CLINICAL OTOLARYNGOLOGY

Journal title	Clinical Otolaryngology
Publishing group	Wiley
Summary of journal scope	Clinical Otolaryngology is a bimonthly journal devoted to clinically-oriented research papers of the highest scientific standards dealing with: current otorhinolaryngological practice; audiology, otology, balance, rhinology, larynx, voice and paediatric ORL; head and neck oncology; head and neck plastic and reconstructive surgery; and continuing medical education and ORL training. The emphasis is on high quality new work in the clinical field and on fresh, original research. We think that the best research should be published and made widely accessible as quickly as possible, so we aim to respond to submissions with speed and efficiency.
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Clinical Otolaryngology Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	coaedoffice@wiley.com



COMMUNICATIONS MEDICINE

Journal title	Communications Medicine
Publishing group	Springer Nature
Summary of journal scope	Communications Medicine is a selective open access journal publishing high-quality research, reviews and commentary across all clinical, translational, and public health research fields. The journal aims to foster collaboration across these different communities to facilitate discovery that will promote health and improve patients' lives. Primary research papers published by the journal represent significant advances in preventing, diagnosing, or treating human disease of relevance to a specialized field. We publish advances in well-established as well as emerging areas. We are also interested in submissions at the intersection of medicine with other scientific disciplines, such as computational science and physics, where the central advance of the study is of interest to the medical community, for example digital medicine and medical devices or imaging. Peer review metrics are reported annually (2021).
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Communications Medicine Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	commsmed@nature.com



NATURE COMMUNICATIONS

Journal title	Nature Communications
Publishing group	Nature portfolio, Springer Nature
Summary of journal scope	Nature Communications is an open access, multidisciplinary journal dedicated to publishing high-quality research in all areas of the biological, health, physical, chemical and Earth sciences. Papers published by the journal aim to represent important advances of significance to specialists within each field. We are committed to providing an efficient service for both authors and readers. Our team of independent editors make rapid and fair publication decisions. Editorial decisions on whether to peer review a manuscript is made after evaluating the full-length manuscript. Prompt dissemination of accepted papers to a wide readership and beyond is achieved through a program of continuous online publication. Peer review metrics are reported annually (2021).
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Nature Communications Guidelines for Registered Reports guidelines
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	Nathalie Le Bot n.lebot@nature.com



NATURE HUMAN BEHAVIOUR

Journal title	Nature Human Behaviour
Publishing group	Nature portfolio, Springer Nature
Summary of journal scope	Drawing from a broad spectrum of social, biological, health, and physical science disciplines, <i>Nature Human Behaviour</i> publishes research of outstanding significance into any aspect of individual or collective human behaviour. Nature Human Behaviour is a transformative journal: authors submitting primary research articles to <i>Nature Human Behaviour</i> are able to choose to publish their work using either the traditional subscription-based publishing route OR Open Access. Peer review metrics for the journal are reported annually (2021). Please visit this collection of all our published Registered Reports for examples.
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Nature Human Behaviour Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	humanbehaviour@nature.com



NATURE METHODS

Journal title	Nature Methods
Publishing group	Nature portfolio, Springer Nature
Summary of journal scope	Nature Methods is a forum for the publication of novel methods and significant improvements to tried-and-tested basic research techniques in the life sciences. This publication is aimed at a broad, interdisciplinary audience of researchers actively involved in laboratory practice.
	Nature Methods also publishes Analysis manuscripts that report broad, scientifically sound comparisons of established tools or methods. We encourage all authors interested in carrying out such studies to consider submitting a Registered Report, which may allow them to receive editorial and peer-reviewer feedback before any data collection takes place. (Please note that the Registered Reports format is not suitable for method development papers.)
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Nature Methods Guidelines for Registered Reports
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PLOS BIOLOGY

Journal title	PLOS BIOLOGY
Publishing group	PLOS
Summary of journal scope	PLOS Biology is the flagship PLOS journal in the life sciences and features works of exceptional significance, originality, and relevance in all areas of biological science and at every scale; from molecules to ecosystems, including works at the interface of other disciplines. We also welcome data-driven meta-research articles that evaluate and aim to improve the standards of research in the life sciences and beyond. We aim to provide an initial editorial decision within 7 working days and after review within 40 days.
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	PLOS Biology Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	biology editors@plos.org



PLOS ONE

Journal title	PLOS ONE
Publishing group	PLOS
Summary of journal	PLOS ONE welcomes submissions in the natural sciences, medical
scope	research, engineering, as well as the related social sciences and
	humanities that will contribute to the base of academic
	knowledge. We know that prompt editorial assessment and
	publication are important to scientific advancement. In line with
	our founding mission, we do all we can to ensure a fast and
	thorough review process, and we're always working to improve.
	We're proud to share our recent progress <u>here</u> .
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages and results in two linked
	publications. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle
	Acceptance. The Stage 1 protocol is published at that point as a
	Registered Report Protocol. If accepted, the Stage 2 report will
	be published as a separate Registered Report. The published
	Registered Report Protocol and Registered Report are linked.
RR guidelines	PLOS ONE Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit	Emily Chenette
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Enquiry	



PSYCHO-ONCOLOGY

Journal title	Psycho-Oncology
Publishing group	Wiley
Summary of journal scope	Psycho-Oncology is concerned with the psychological, social, behavioural, and ethical aspects of cancer. This subspeciality addresses the two major psychological dimensions of cancer: the psychological responses of patients to cancer at all stages of the disease, and that of their families and caretakers; and the psychological, behavioural and social factors that may influence the disease process. Psycho-oncology is an area of multidisciplinary interest and has boundaries with the major specialities in oncology: the clinical disciplines (surgery, medicine, paediatrics, radiotherapy), epidemiology, immunology, endocrinology, biology, pathology, bioethics, palliative care, rehabilitation medicine, clinical trials research and decision making, as well as psychiatry and psychology. We think that the best research should be published and made widely accessible as quickly as possible, so we aim to respond to submissions with speed and efficiency.
RR publication RR guidelines	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript. Psycho-Oncology Guidelines for Registered Reports
Where to submit your Pre-Submission Enquiry	Pscyho-Oncology@wiley.com



SCIENTIFIC REPORTS

Journal title	Scientific Reports
Publishing group	Nature portfolio, Springer Nature
Summary of journal scope	Scientific Reports is an open access journal publishing original research from across all areas of the natural sciences, psychology, medicine and engineering. Registered Reports are considered for all disciplines falling into the journal's scope. All submissions, including registered reports, undergo editorial review by the expert Editorial Board Member who is an active researcher in the field. Most submissions are then peer reviewed by additional experts. Peer review metrics are reported annually (2021). For submission of Stage 2, authors can additionally refer to the general submission guidelines.
RR publication	Assessment takes place in two stages. After Stage 1, submissions will get an In-Principle Acceptance and then both Stage 1 and Stage 2 will be published at the end following completion of the study, and peer review and acceptance of the Stage 2 manuscript.
RR guidelines	Scientific Reports Guidelines for Registered Reports
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