



# Selecting a Right Journal

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# Why to publish paper?

# Paper sections

1.Title

2.Authors

3.Abstract and keywords

4.Introduction

5.Methods

6.Results

7.Discussion

8.Conclusion

9.Acknowledgements

10.References

11.Tables

12.Figure Legends

# World's famous Publishers

- ▶ Elsevier
- ▶ Wiley
- ▶ Springer-Nature
- ▶ Taylor and Francis
- ▶ LWW
- ▶ DOVE press
- ▶ Oxford press
- ▶ Cambridge
- ▶ Sage
- ▶ PLOS
- ▶ Hindawi

# Journal finders

- ▶ Elsevier :journal finder (<https://journalfinder.elsevier.com/>)
- ▶ Wiley: journal finder (<https://journalfinder.wiley.com/search?type=match>)
- ▶ Springer-Nature: journal suggester (<https://journalsuggester.springer.com/>)

# Ways to find a good journal

- ▶ Read the aims and scope !!
- ▶ Read the journal's instruction very carefully
- ▶ See a recent journal issue
- ▶ See a recent journal paper
- ▶ Search Iran at journal website

# Ways to find a good journal

- ▶ Check the journal metrics
- ▶ Indexing : Web of Science( IF?), ESCI, PubMed (Medline), Scopus
- ▶ Issues per year: 24,12,6,...?
- ▶ Number of papers in each issue
- ▶ Acceptance rate
- ▶ Rejection rate
- ▶ Delay between acceptance and publication
- ▶ Open access option
- ▶ Publication fee

# Prepare your paper based on journal style

1. Title (running title)

2. Authors

3. Abstract and keywords

4. Introduction

5. Methods

6. Results

7. Discussion

8. Conclusion

9. Conflict of interest

10. Acknowledgements

11. References (text)

12. Tables

13. Figure Legends



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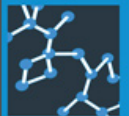
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# Steps of submission

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- ▶ Never send your manuscript by email!
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- ▶ Create an account
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# Cover letter

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- ▶ Dear Professor Hasse,
- ▶ Please be informed that submitted manuscript **entitled** " sirolimus versus cyclosporine for the treatment of pediatric chronic immune thrombocytopenia: a randomized blinded trial" is **not under review** in any journal and **all authors are aware of this submission**. All authors have had a **significant role in this work**. We have studied and compared effects of sirolimus with cyclosporine in children with chronic ITP. **At present, randomized trials in this field are very scarce and this was our main purpose.**

Hope this work would have enough priority to be reviewed in International Immunopharmacology.

Sincerely,

**Aziz Eghbali, MD**

# After submission

- ▶ You will receive a confirmation email after submission
- ▶ You can log-in to Editorial Manager at any time to check the status of your manuscript
- ▶ The journal will notify you by email once a decision is made



# Editor in chief

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- ▶ Who is editor in chief?

## Peer Review Process



# What is the reviewer looking for?

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- ▶ Originality, scientific significance, conciseness, precision, and completeness

# Reviewers will check:

- ▶ What is the main question addressed by the research? Is it relevant and interesting?
- ▶ How original is the topic? What does it add to the subject area compared with other published material?
- ▶ Is the paper well written? Is the text clear and easy to read?
- ▶ Are the conclusions consistent with the evidence and arguments presented? Do they address the main question posed?

# Minor checks

- ▶ Are the correct references cited? Are citations excessive, limited, or biased?
- ▶ Are there any factual, numerical, or unit errors? If so, what are they?
- ▶ Are all tables and figures appropriate, sufficient, and correctly labelled?

# Possible outcomes of peer review

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- ▶ **Accept without any changes (acceptance):** The journal will publish the paper in its original form. This type of decision outcome is rare
- ▶ **Accept with minor revisions (acceptance):** The journal will publish the paper and asks the author to make small corrections. This is typically the best outcome that authors should hope for
- ▶ **Accept after major revisions (conditional acceptance):** The journal will publish the paper provided the authors make the changes suggested by the reviewers and/or editors
- ▶ **Revise and resubmit (conditional rejection):** The journal is willing to reconsider the paper in another round of decision making after the authors make major changes
- ▶ **Reject the paper (outright rejection):** The journal will not publish the paper or reconsider it even if the authors make major revisions

# How to respond to a major revision?

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- ▶ Respond to all of questions very carefully and politely
- ▶ “done”
- ▶ “corrected”
- ▶ Use references when appropriate
- ▶ Make all changes requested by reviewers
- ▶ Highlight them in the text
- ▶ Prior to deadline submit the revised manuscript and wait for final decision

# After acceptance

- ▶ Before your accepted article is published online, it goes through the production process
- ▶ You will receive a proof for final correction
- ▶ After that it will be online
- ▶ After that it will be published in a issue
- ▶ After that it will be available at ISI, PubMed, Scopus
- ▶ Then you will enjoy your paper and its credits



# Reasons of rejections

# Thank you very much

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