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Peer Review Policy

The practice of peer review is to ensure that good research is published and it should be able to open new avenues for others. It is an objective process at the heart of good scholarly publishing and is carried out on all reputable scientific journals. Our referees therefore play a vital role in maintaining the high standards of the journal and all manuscripts are peer reviewed following the procedure outlined below.

- Initial manuscript evaluation

    The Editor first evaluates all manuscripts. Those rejected at this stage are insufficiently original, have serious scientific flaws, have poor grammar or English language, or are outside the aims and scope of the journal. Those that meet the minimum criteria are passed on to at least 2 experts for review.

    Authors of manuscripts rejected at this stage will normally be informed within 2 weeks of receipt.

- Type of Peer Review

    This journal employs double blind reviewing, where both the referee and author remain anonymous throughout the process.

- How the referee is selected?

    Referees are matched to the paper according to their expertise. The Journal, MIJCER has a policy of using double blind refereeing, with try that neither referee should belong to the country of the submitting author. We also welcome suggestions for referees from the author though these recommendations may or may not be used.

- Referee reports

    Referees are asked to evaluate the manuscript and respond to following parameters:

    - Is original
    - Is methodologically sound
    - Follows appropriate ethical guidelines
    - Has results which are clearly presented and support the conclusions
    - Correctly references previous relevant work

    Referees are not expected to correct or copyedit manuscripts. Language correction is not part of the peer review process.

- **How long does the review process take?**

    Typically, the manuscript will be reviewed within 3 months. Revised manuscripts are usually returned to the referees within 1 week. Referees may request more than one revision of a manuscript.

- **Final report**

    A final decision to accept or reject the manuscript will be sent to the author along with any recommendations made by the referees, and may include precise comments by the referees.

- **Editor-in-Chief Decision is final**

Referees advise the editor, who is responsible for the final decision to accept or reject the manuscript.

Policy and Ethics

The publication of an article in a peer-reviewed journal from the research fraternity is a sincere contribution to the research community. A good research not only initiates the thought process but also it becomes a fundamental tool to transform the conceptualizations into visualizations. It is a direct reflection of the quality of work of the author and the institutions that support them. Peer-reviewed articles support and embody the scientific method. It is therefore important to agree upon standards of expected ethical behaviour.

Ethics topics to consider when publishing:

- **Authorship of the paper:** Authorship should be limited to only those who have made a significant contribution in the submitted research.
- **Originality and plagiarism:** The authors should ensure that they have written entirely original works and if the authors have used the work and/or words of others, that this has been appropriately cited or quoted.
- **Data access and retention:** Authors may be asked to provide the raw data in connection with a paper for editorial review and should be prepared to provide public access to such data.
- **Multiple, redundant or concurrent publication:** An author should not in general publish manuscripts describing essentially the same research in more than one journal or primary publication. MIJCER does not view the following uses of a work as prior publication.
- **Acknowledgement of sources:** Proper acknowledgement to be given to the essential helping hands.
- **Fundamental errors in published works:** When an author discovers a significant error or inaccuracy in his/her own published work, it is the author's obligation to promptly notify the MIJCER Editor-in-Chief or Managing Editor or publisher and cooperate with them to retract or correct the paper.
- **Reporting standards:** Authors of reports of original research should present an accurate account of the work performed as well as an objective discussion of its significance.
- **Hazards and human or animal subjects:** Statements of compliance are required if the work involves chemicals, procedures or equipment that have any unusual hazards inherent in their use or if it involves the use of animal or human subjects.
- **Use of patient images or case details:** Studies on patients or volunteers require ethics committee approval and informed consent, which should be documented in the paper.