

Eligible article types

Article Classification	Description
Case Study	Detailed report or presentation of the symptoms, signs, diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up of an individual patient or selected disease indications. Usually describes an unusual or novel occurrence or has substantial learning value for readers.
Commentary	Expert opinion from one or more people (who may agree or disagree) on a published work, current understanding/status of an area, or how practice should be undertaken. Generally with references.
Data Article	Detailed description of a dataset and its creation, with the data included in machine-readable format, that enables others to make use of the data. No research done with the data is included.
Education	Educational piece that explains a subject, method or current thinking to enable others to understand and/or use it. Does not present new research/findings. May also elicit reflection or test knowledge or thinking, and be linked to professional certification.
Lecture	Transcript or summary of a speech given at a conference, symposium, workshop or similar, usually an invited speech, given by a recognised expert, an award winner, or elected society officer.
Method and Protocol	Procedural method in the design and implementation of an experiment or study.
Perspective	Personal opinion on a topic, often with a novel/imaginative approach to a provocative question, with an engaging though rigorous investigation that enhances the understanding of the subject, including new developments, and moderate referencing.
Practice and Policy	Public statement of what a representative group of experts agree to be evidencebased and state-of-the-art knowledge on an aspect of practice/policy.
Rapid Publication	Report of a key new research finding that needs/merits fast dissemination, and so is expedited.
Research Article	Reports of original research, with methods, findings and conclusions.
Review Article	Overview of developments in fields or the current lines of thought. Synthesizes multiple sources of information and has long list of references. Emphasis is more factual and less on opinion.
Short Communication	Brief observations and research reports in a concise format.

Technical Note	Extensions or updates to previously published research, reporting additional controls; projects that did not yield publishable results but represent valuable information regarding protocol and data collection; additions to established tools, experimental or computational methods; description of a database; null results and orphan data; data management plans; description of a specific development, technique or procedure, or a modification of an existing technique, procedure or device; new algorithm or computational method, new experimental method, improved version of an experimental protocol or computational approach, new implementation of an existing algorithm...
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