

Guidelines for Reviews/articlesfor SCTIMST journal

OPINIONS IN MEDICAL SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & HEALTH

The SCTIMST journal will be a review journal and will be based on a theme. Every issue will be based on a theme which will be published in the preceding issue when reviews will be invited.

A review provides a detailed and comprehensive narrative analysis of recent developments in a specific topic and highlights important points that have been previously published. It should be between 3000 to 5000 words long. This should include a title, running title, keywords, abstract, text and references. The review should be a scholarly discussion on the current state of the art with novel insights or conclusions and future directions.

The ideal invited review should be topical, current, balanced, accurate, quotable and easily understood, with a clear take-home message.

A perspective will be a short commentary – the author’s viewpoint on the topic described.

Special sections invited:

- **“Art in the Science”** a column dedicated to art/images/stills/cartoons with apt titling.
- **“Walking with Chitra”** a column from stalwarts who have lead or collaborated with Chitra over time.
- **“From Chitra Halls”**a column from alumni of Chitra

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Guidelines

The review can be structured as follows: a short unstructured abstract, an introduction, subheadings to organise the topic, and a summary.

Text Content

Reviews are expected to be 6 manuscript pages or 3000 to 5000 words. The reference list is expected to comprehensively cover all the major published work, with up to 50-75 references being typical.

In the case of Perspectives /commentaries, it should be less than 1000 words.

Articles should be submitted using the online platform <https://omsth.sctimst.ac.in>.

Submission Format

Documents are to be submitted in .docx format for compatibility. Images if any may be provided as separate files with image guidelines as per PLOS ONE guidelines here:

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Structure

- Title
- Unstructured abstract
- Introduction Subheadings to organise material
- Summary
- References (extensive number)
- Illustrations (limited number)

Reference Management

SCJMSTH uses the widely applied Vancouver style of reference formatting. Kindly visit the following link for more information(2):

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References

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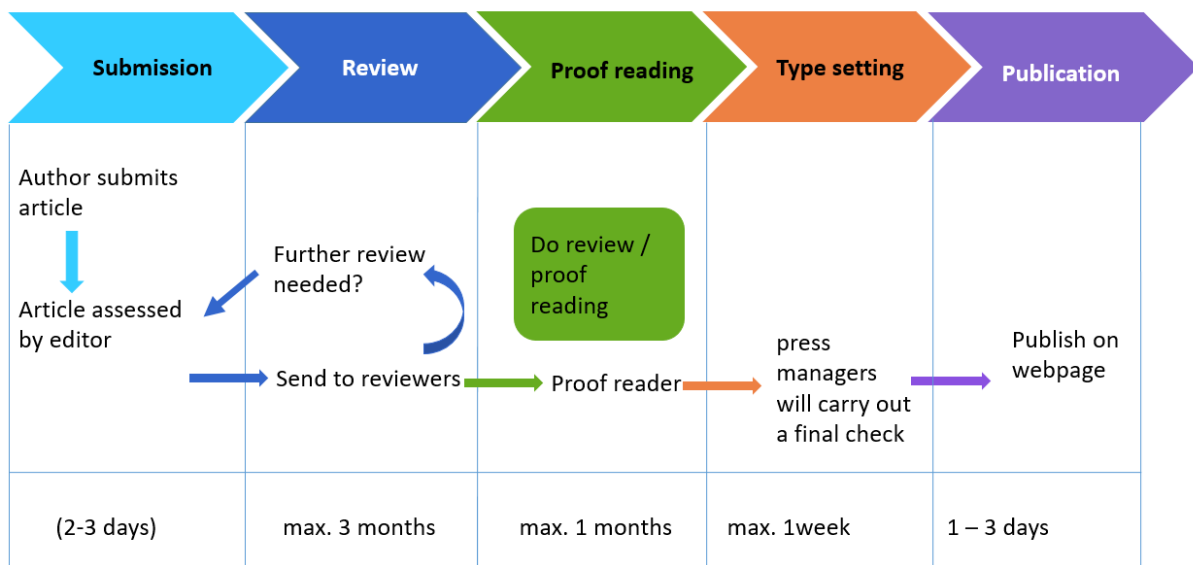
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