

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

What are the expectations of an editor from a scientific article?

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First of all, editors prefer to publish original research and valuable data in all academic journals,^[1-3] since readers prefer to read something new and interesting.

Manuscripts may be **rejected without peer review** by the editor-in-chief if they do not comply with the **instructions to authors** or if they are **beyond the scope of the Journal**.

The title of the article should be **concise**, **brief but comprehensive**. It must **provoke** the readers to read the whole article. The title should accurately reflect the **outcome** of the study.^[4] It must be the research question or the answer of it.

The abstract must summarize the manuscript. No discrepancies between the abstract and the article must be. Keywords should be concordant with the National Library of Medicine (NLM) Medical Subject Headings (MeSH) vocabulary terms and three to six keywords should be listed.^[5]

The study must be based on the review of **the medical literature** in the **introduction**. The **purpose**

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of the study must be defined. A **hypothesis** or a **research question must exist**.^[1-3]

The authors must have **Informed Consent and Ethical Committee Approval (date and number)** in the **patients (materials) and methods** section. The **methods** should explain the steps taken to produce the results. It should contain **adequate details** for other researchers to **replicate** the study.^[1-3]

Results must be presented in **logical sequence** in the text, tables and illustrations. Data in the text should not be repeated in the tables or illustrations. Avoid repeating yourself.^[6]

In the **discussion** section, start emphasizing the **new and the most important findings** of the study. **Relate the observations to other relevant studies.** Finally, present **limitations** and **conclusion** short and clear enough.^[7]

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Illustrations and figures must be **original**, professionally drawn and photographed **with a resolution of 300 DPI**.

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