

Cancer Discovery (CD): Instructions for Authors

SCOPE

Cancer Discovery publishes high-impact, peer-reviewed articles describing major advances in research and clinical trials. *Cancer Discovery* is the essential cancer information resource and publishes Review Articles, Perspectives and Commentaries, News, and Research Watch summaries of important journal articles. Topics span the spectrum of cancer research and medicine from the laboratory to the clinic to epidemiologic studies.

CATEGORIES OF PUBLICATION

The following types of articles will be considered for publication. Note that word counts are exclusive of references. Authors are advised that submissions not adhering to the guidelines provided below will be returned unreviewed.

Research Articles

Research Articles report on original studies with broad impact across the fields of basic, translational, clinical, prevention, and epidemiologic cancer research. These articles should be of exceptional significance to a broad audience of cancer researchers and scientists. Original articles will be peer reviewed.

- 150 word abstract
- 1–2 sentence statement of significance
- 6,000 words of text
- 50 references
- 7 figures (No panel limit; each figure must fit within 1 printed page) and/or tables
- Sections should be arranged in the following order: title page, abstract, statement of significance, introduction, results, discussion, methods, references, tables, legends for all tables and figures.
- Results and Discussion must not be combined.

Research Briefs

Research Briefs may report on early clinical data or discovery-based studies that are not sufficiently developed for publication as Research Articles but have the potential to make a significant impact in research areas and/or patient care. Research Briefs will be peer reviewed.

- 150 word abstract
- 1–2 sentence statement of significance
- 3,500 words of text
- 25 references
- 4 figures (No panel limit; each figure must fit within 1 printed page) and/or tables

Reviews

Review Articles provide authoritative, comprehensive overviews on timely subjects geared toward the general cancer research community. These articles should include the author's point of view on how the subject relates to the current state of the field and how it could affect research and/or treatment. Review Articles will be peer reviewed. Unsolicited Review Articles will be considered at the discretion of the Editors.

- 100 word abstract
- 3–4 sentence statement of significance
- 7,000 words of text
- 75 references

- 6 figures (No panel limit; each figure must fit within 1 printed page) and/or tables

Mini Reviews

Mini Reviews are authoritative, comprehensive overviews on timely subjects. Subjects covered in Mini Reviews are narrower, either in scope or depth, than those covered in full-length Review Articles and include the author's perspective on how the subject relates to the current state of the field and how it could impact research/treatment. Mini Reviews will be peer reviewed. Unsolicited Mini Reviews will be considered at the discretion of the Editors.

- 100 word abstract
- 4,000 words of text
- 50 references
- 3 figures (No panel limit; each figure must fit within 1 printed page) and/or tables
- Also should include bulleted description of key concepts and relevance: how the subject relates to the current state of the field and how it could impact research and/or treatment

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the Editor express views related to published articles that do not in themselves constitute original research. Letters to the Editor must focus on and refer to an article published in *Cancer Discovery* within the previous 3 months. Letters to the Editor will be peer reviewed and, if found to meet the requisite publication criteria (scholarly commentary on a subject of importance and interest to the broad readership), the Letter may be sent to the author(s) of the originally published article and possibly to other interested parties for a response to be published in the same issue of the journal as the Letter.

- The title should read as "Running title of the original article" — Letter; please note that the Editors-in-Chief reserve the right to modify the title
- 500 words of text
- 5 references; the first reference must be the citation for the originating article under discussion
- Figures or tables only if they show data that refute the conclusions of the originating article; figures or tables showing unpublished data in support of the conclusions of the originating article will not be considered



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