

Cancer Immunology Research (CIR): **Instructions for Authors**

Scope

Cancer Immunology Research (CIR) publishes outstanding original articles reporting major advances in cancer immunology that span the discipline from basic investigations in host-tumor interactions to developmental therapeutics in model systems, early translational studies in patients, and late-stage clinical trials. The journal will disseminate knowledge of immunology to the cancer research community, catalyzing cross-disciplinary work that yields a deeper understanding of the host-tumor relationship, more potent cancer treatments, and improved clinical outcomes.

Papers are stringently reviewed, and specific topics of interest include endogenous antitumor immunity, tumor-promoting inflammation, cancer antigens, vaccines, antibodies, cellular therapy, cytokines, immune regulation, immune suppression, immunomodulatory effects of cancer treatment, emerging technologies, and clinical investigations. The journal's special features will include "Masters of Immunology"—primers by leading immunologists—and "Cancer Immunology at the Crossroads"—perspectives that highlight the intersection of immunology with other areas of cancer research and allied disciplines.

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, including word counts, may be returned unreviewed.

Research Articles

Original studies offering broad impact across the entire discipline of cancer immunology including basic, pre-clinical, translational, and clinical investigations. The reports should be well-documented, novel, and significant to the field as a whole. The Editor-in-Chief and members of the senior editorial board reserve the right to edit the title and/or abstract for articles that are accepted to improve their clarity, brevity, and quality.

- 250-word abstract
- 5,000 words of text
- 7 tables and/or figures (Please keep the number of panels per figure to an absolute minimum)
- 50 references

Priority Briefs

Short, definitive reports of findings of high impact, significance, and timeliness. These reports receive an accelerated review. Papers submitted as Priority Briefs should include a section for Materials and Methods as well as Results and Discussion (Results and Discussion may be combined but Materials and Methods may not be combined with any other section). The Editor-in-Chief and members of the senior editorial board reserve the right to edit the title and/or abstract for articles that are accepted to improve their clarity, brevity, and quality.

- 200-word abstract
- 2,500 words of text
- 4 tables and/or figures (Please keep the number of panels per figure to an absolute minimum)
- 25 references

Cancer Immunology Miniatures

Miniatures may report on early clinical data or discovery-based preclinical and clinical studies that are not sufficiently developed for publication as Research Articles but have the potential to make a significant impact in research areas and clinical investigation and care. These may include well-analyzed, provocative clinical case reports.

- 200-word abstract
- 2,500 words of text
- 4 tables and/or figures (Please keep the number of panels per figure to an absolute minimum)
- 25 references

Review Articles (By Invitation Only)

Articles that review a timely subject important to those working in the field of cancer immunology. The length restrictions for this category of publication are provided below. Longer reviews will be considered at the discretion of the Editors.

- 200-word abstract
- 2,000 words of text
- 1 original figure with a maximum of 4 panels
- 30 references

**Cancer Immunology at the Crossroads
(By Invitation Only)**

Perspectives that highlight the intersection of cancer immunology with other areas of cancer research and allied disciplines.

- 250-word abstract
- 2,500 words of text
- 1 original figure with a maximum of 4 panels (figure to be redrawn)
- 30 references

**Masters of Immunology
(By Invitation Only)**

Primers on specific aspects of basic immunology that are of great relevance to cancer immunology. These short pieces by leading scientists are targeted to cancer researchers and physicians whose primary activities have not focused on immunology.

- 250-word abstract
- 2,500 words of text
- 1 original figure with a maximum of 4 panels (figure to be redrawn)
- 30 references

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