



Author Pack

A guide to publishing in scholarly journals

Elsevier Editorial System (EES) and peer review

online SUBMISSION

Elsevier is committed to improving services for authors, editors and reviewers by migrating its journal publication process to a fully online workflow from beginning to end. The Elsevier Editorial System (EES) is the online submission system we are using to achieve this goal.

For initial submission of your article for peer review, most Elsevier journals now use online submission through EES. There are many benefits to registering, including increased review and publication speed, article tracking and receiving e-mail alerts. For journals not yet using EES, e-mail submission, submission of a disk or printed copy will be accepted. Please see the journal's individual guide for authors for further information. Visit <http://www.elsevier.com/authors>, select *journal* and click on *guide for authors*.

For more information and to submit an article by EES visit <http://elsevier.com/ees>

Peer review

Our primary research journals are peer reviewed and independently edited by acknowledged experts in their fields. Reviewers are appointed by the journal editor.

Peer review has two key functions:

- To act as a filter by ensuring only good research is published to determine the validity, significance and originality of the work.
- To improve the quality of research submitted for publication by giving reviewers the opportunity to suggest improvements.
- Some journal editors will ask authors to provide the names of possible reviewers.

Different types of peer review

| Type of review | Description |
|----------------|---|
| Single blind | Names are hidden from author |
| Double blind | Both reviewer and author remain anonymous |
| Open | Reviewer and author are known to each other |

Reviewers will then make a recommendation to the editor to accept, accept with revisions or decline the article. To find out more about peer reviewing or to become a reviewer visit <http://www.elsevier.com/peerreview>