

Research Exchange Screening Research Exchange Review

Release Notes

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July-2026: Rescind Rejection

Available from	28-July-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editorial Assistant, Journal Manager, Journal Admin
Overview	This release expands the ability to reopen a manuscript after an initial Reject decision. Editorial Assistants, Journal Managers, and/or Journal Admins can rescind the "Reject" decision, restore the manuscript to the appropriate pre-Quality Check peer review status, and continue the Review workflow. The action is fully audited in the activity log and automatically notifies the assigned Editor.

Key Features

"Rescind Decision" allows Editorial Assistants (EAs), Journal Managers (JMs) or Journal Admins to rescind a rejection decision on the Manuscript Details page.

- If the manuscript was in "Make Decision" or "Make Recommendation" status prior to Rejection, the manuscript is restored to its last status before a decision was made.
- If manuscript was in any other status, the manuscript moves to "Invite Reviewers" stage (See "Manuscript Statuses for Rescind Rejection", below)

Users can add reason(s) for rescinding rejection in a free text field

- Will be displayed in a pop-over on Manuscript Details page (See: UI Updates, below)

Email notifying of the rescindment is automatically sent to:

- Author(s)
- All Editors of original
- Editorial Assistant

Rescinded rejection is logged in Activity log

All Reject decisions (Reject, Reject - Do Not Transfer, Reject and Send to Transfer Services, Reject and Refer) are available to rescind

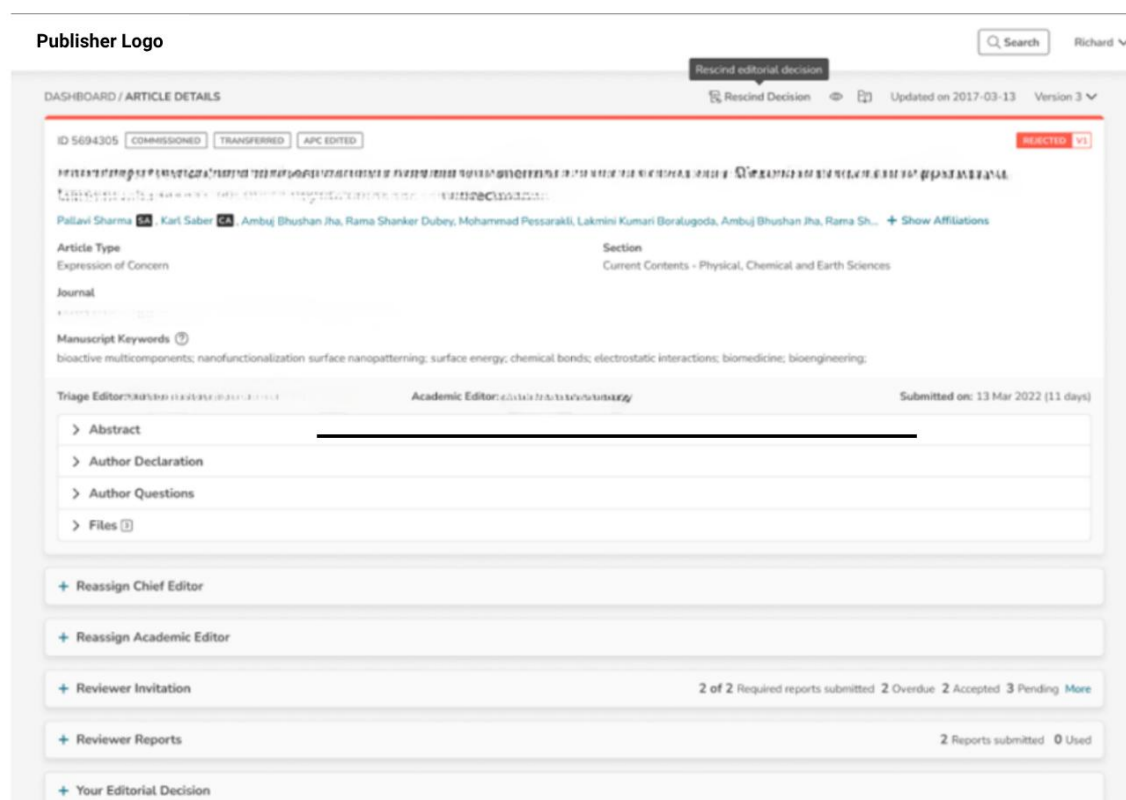
Undertaking a Rescindment automatically re-opens the Price Proposal tool for the article, allowing authors to go on to manage their APC if they progress to Accept without Customer Support intervention

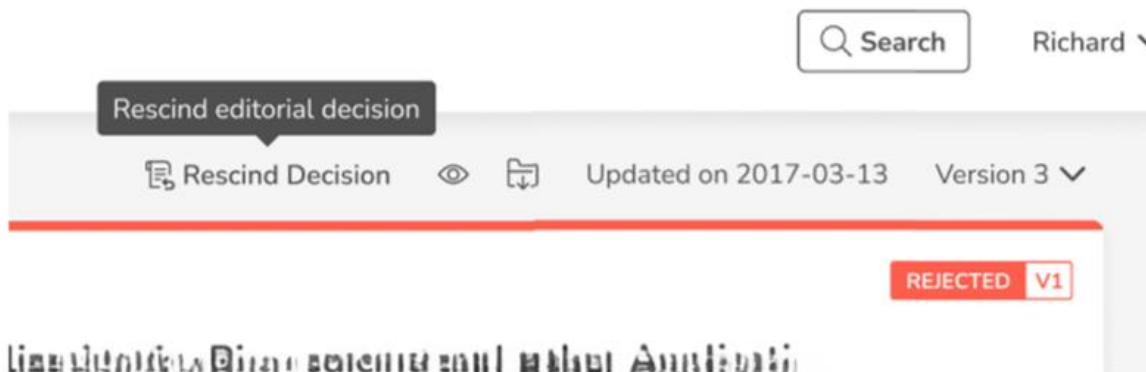
The ability to rescind a rejection is configured at the journal level

User Interface Updates

Review

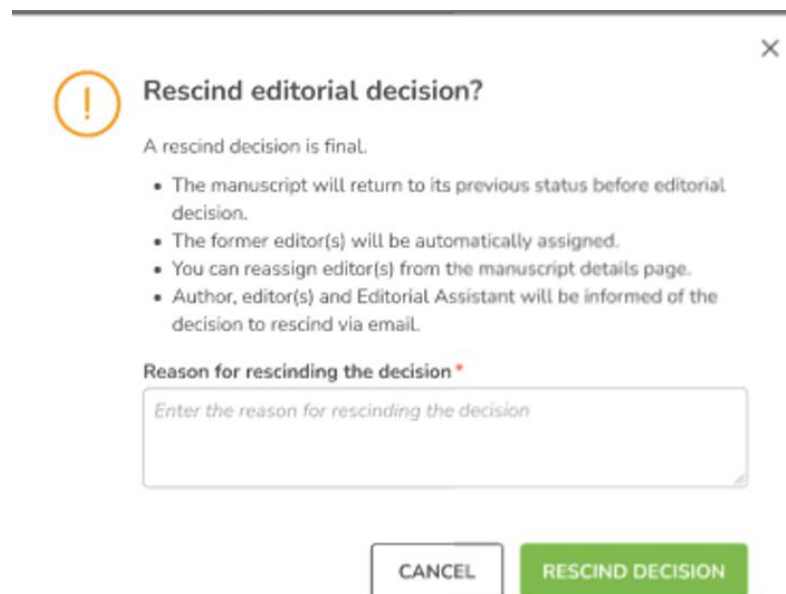
“Rescind Decision” selection replaces “Withdraw Manuscript” selection at top of the Article Details page (after decision has been entered)





Upon selection of "Rescind Decision", a modal is displayed. Modal contains a free-text field labeled "Reason for rescinding the decision" and two buttons:

- Cancel
- Rescind Decision



User must enter text in the "Reason for rescinding the decision field".

X



Rescind editorial decision?

A rescind decision is final.

- The manuscript will return to its previous status before editorial decision.
- The former editor(s) will be automatically assigned.
- You can reassign editor(s) from the manuscript details page.
- Author, editor(s) and Editorial Assistant will be informed of the decision to rescind via email.

Reason for rescinding the decision *

Enter the reason for rescinding the decision

⚠ Please specify reason for rescinding the decision.

CANCEL

RESCIND DECISION

A confirmation toast will be displayed when the decision has been successfully rescinded.

Publisher Logo

✔
Editorial decision successfully rescinded.

Search

Richard ▾

DASHBOARD / ARTICLE DETAILS

Withdraw
Updated on 2017-03-13
Version 3 ▾

ID 5694305

COMMISSIONED

TRANSFERRED

APC EDITED

RESCINDED

MEDIUM PRIORITY V1

Reason for rescinding the decision

The author has obtained additional supporting data or expert endorsements addressing the concerns raised in the rejection decision and requests reconsideration based on this new evidence.

Article Type

Expression of Concern

Journal

Journal of Microbiology

Manuscript Keywords

A "Rescinded" tag will be displayed when the decision has been successfully rescinded. The reason is displayed in the popover upon hover on the "Rescinded" tab.

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If not successful, an error toast will be displayed.



An error occurred while rescinding the decision.

Rescinded action noted in Activity Log and Emails section.

Activity Logs and Emails

Filters: To: From: ☐ Show logs with emails only

Reviewer invitation
To: [Hiroshi Tanaka](#) REV From: [Olivia Davis](#) AE
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

Manuscript reopened
To: [John Doe](#) CA, [+12 more](#) From: [Jack Dee](#) AE
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

Second auto reminder to accept invitation to review
To: [Kamila Tyran](#) REV From: System
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

Invitation to review accepted by Kamila Tyran REV
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

Report submitted by Kamila Tyran REV
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

First auto reminder to accept invitation to review
To: [Kamila Tyran](#) REV From: System
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

Reviewer invitation
To: [Ayesha Khan](#) REV From: [Ava Anderson](#) AE
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

Reviewer invitation
To: [Emily Smith](#) REV2 From: [Ava Anderson](#) AE
26 June 2024 12:27UTC (2 days ago)

First automatic reminder to invite reviewers
To: [Maria González](#) AE From: System

1088704: Manuscript reopened
From: [Jack Dee](#) ([jack.dee@emailaddress.com](#)) AE
To: [John Doe](#) ([john.doe@emailaddress.com](#)) CA, [Emily Smith](#) ([emily.smith@emailaddress.com](#)) AUT [+12 more](#)

Publisher Logo

Dear [\[Author Title\]](#) [\[Author Name\]](#),

In order for your submission "Mapping Author Emails (back from RTD)" to Journal of Veterinary Science to proceed to the review process, there needs to be a revision.

Reason & Details: "[\[Editor Editorial Decision ReasonAndDetails\]](#)"

For more information about what is required, please click the link below.

[Decline](#) [Agree](#)

In order for your submission "Mapping Author Emails (back from RTD)" to Journal of Veterinary Science to proceed to the review process, there needs to be a revision.

Kind regards,
[\[Academic Editor Name\]](#)

The Rescind button is hidden

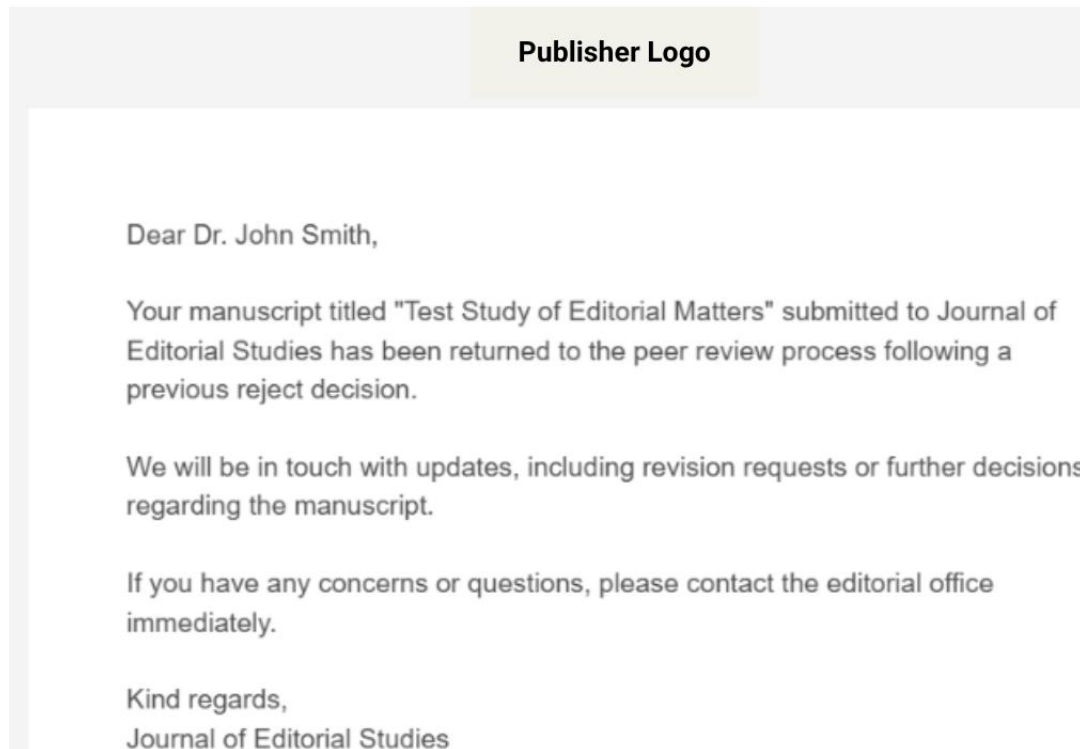
- If the user with a role that does not have access (Reviewer, legacy author, unassigned EA, etc.)
- If the functionality is disabled at the journal by the Wiley administrator.
- If Customer Support rejected manuscript

The rescind button greyed out (with a popover explaining why it's greyed out)

- If paper is older than 2 years from the point of decision.
- If paper has been successfully transferred to another Wiley journal.

Emails

Author



All Editors

Dear Dr. John Smith,

The manuscript titled "Test Study of Editorial Matters" has been returned to the peer review process following agreement to rescind a previous reject decision.

If you have any questions, please contact the editorial office.

Kind regards,
Journal of Editorial Studies

EA

Publisher Logo

Dear Dr. John Smith,

The manuscript "Test Study of Editorial Matters" has been returned to the peer review process following agreement to rescind a previous reject decision.

The same members of the Editorial Team have been reassigned to the manuscript, with you as the Editorial Assistant. If reassignment of this manuscript to alternate members of the editorial team is required, please visit the Manuscript Details page.

MANUSCRIPT DETAILS

Kind regards,
Journal of Editorial Studies

Screening

Activity & Messages

Quality checker: JULIA K.	10 Oct 2024
Action: Approve Manuscript Manuscript version: 2	
 Manuscript Rescinded	21 Oct 2024
Action: Rescinded (Peer Review) Manuscript version: 1 Reason for rescinding decision The author has obtained additional supporting data or expert endorsements addressing the concerns raised in the rejection decision and requests reconsideration based on this new evidence.	
Submission checker: JESSICA L.	02 Oct 2024
Action: Refuse to Consider [RC] Manuscript version: 1 Refusal reasons	
Quality concerns Article type not accepted; Incomplete submission; Sanctioned author(s) and/or their affiliated institution(s); Other quality concerns: Editor mishandling; Suspicious turnaround times.	
Integrity concerns Other ethical concerns: Editor mishandling; Suspicious turnaround times. Other research concerns: Editor mishandling; Suspicious turnaround times.	
Peer review misconduct Suspicious review activity; Suspicious turnaround times; Other peer review misconduct concerns: Editor mishandling; Suspicious turnaround times.	
Additional comments to the author A Key Major Guideline for Engineering Bioactive Multicomponent Biomedicine and Other Applications: Fundamental Models Confirmed by Both Direct and Indirect Evidence.	
Quality checker: FRANK A. J.	02 Oct 2024
Action: Pause Manuscript Manuscript version: 1	
Submission checker: JESSICA L.	23 Aug 2024
Action: Approve Manuscript Manuscript version: 1 Comment for editors No comments.	
Comments for publishers Our system has detected that the profile on phenom for author [Brant G. Wang] does not match the name listed on their linked ORCID profile. Please can this be flagged to authors when the paper is returned for revisions? Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further details.	

Manuscript Statuses for Rescind Rejection

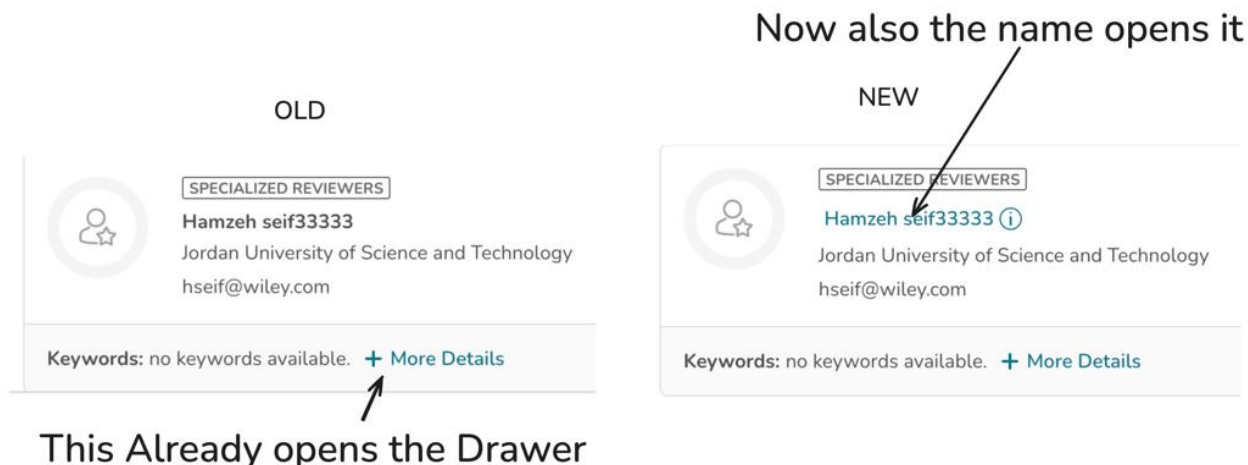
Status of Manuscript Before Rejection	Status in Research Exchange	Once rejection rescinded, open to:
Invitation Pending	reviewersinvited	Invite Reviewers (AKA "academicEditorAssigned")
Under Review	underReview	Invite Reviewers
Revision Requested	revisionRequested (before author submits revision)	Invite Reviewers
Pending Approval	pendingApproval	Invite Reviewers
Accepted	qualityChecksRequested, qualityChecksSubmitted	Invite Reviewers
Assign AE	Submitted	Invite Reviewers
Make Decision	makeDecision	Make Decision
Make Recommendation	reviewCompleted	Make Recommendation

If the manuscript was in any status past the point of Review and into QC, such as inQA (meaning it got approved and went to QC), then reopen to makeDecision / reviewComplete or academicEditorAssigned, depending on its last prior status (see above)

July-2026 User Interface Update - Open Reviewer Drawer by Clicking on Specialized Reviewer name

Available from	21-July-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors handling peer review

From the reviewer card, you can now open the reviewer drawer by clicking on the name of the specialized reviewer. Previously, you could only open the drawer by clicking "More details".



July-2026: Activity Log Visibility Extended to Guest Editors and Lead Guest Editors

Available from	21-July-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Guest Editors and Lead Guest Editors
Overview	Users in the Guest Editor and Lead Guest Editor roles now have visibility into the Activity Log for manuscripts associated with the Special Issues they manage. This extends the existing visibility that Triage and Handling Editors have over the Activity Log for Regular Issue manuscripts, ensuring a consistent user experience for manuscript-level visibility across roles. This will be immediately visible on all manuscripts regardless of stage / date of submission in relation to the feature enablement.

Activity Log in the Review Module

The Activity Log is a built-in audit and communications trail in Research Exchange Review, accessible from the Article Details page of any manuscript. It provides a comprehensive, chronological record of all actions, decisions, and emails that have occurred during a manuscript's peer review lifecycle.

What it shows

- Who performed each action

- The date and time of every event
- Whether the entry was an email (marked with an email icon)
- Entries organized by manuscript version

The Activity Log updates automatically based on system actions — users cannot manually edit it.

July-2026 Allow Checkers to select a Specialist when escalating papers in screening

Available from	17-July-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Checkers
Overview	Checkers can now optionally select an individual Specialist when escalating a paper to a Specialist team, bringing their escalation flow in line with the existing Lead Screener experience.

Key Features

- When a Checker escalates a paper (Escalate → Send to Specialist), they can now optionally choose a specific Specialist within the selected team, in addition to the required team selection.
- The Specialist selection step now behaves identically for Checkers and Lead Screeners.
- If a Specialist is selected, the paper is escalated directly to that individual. If no Specialist is selected, the paper is escalated using the existing assignment algorithm — no change to that fallback behavior.
- The Specialist team dropdown remains mandatory with no change to existing behavior.
- Once a Specialist team is selected, a new Specialist dropdown is populated with members of that team.

- Selecting a Specialist from this dropdown is optional; Checkers can proceed with escalation without choosing one.

Escalate Manuscript

Escalation type *

☐ Pause manuscript
 ☐ Send to Lead Screener
 ☒ Send to Specialist

Specialist team *

Type and search by specialist team

Specialist

Type and search by specialist name

Comment

Enter your comment.

Files (0)

Supporting files will appear here.

+ Upload Files

Supported formats: PDF, DOC, DOCX, XLS, XLSX, CSV. Maximum file size: 25MB

CANCEL

ESCALATE TO SPECIALIST

July-2026: Reviewer Queue User Feedback Improvements

Available from	7-July-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors handling peer review

Overview	Two improvements have been made to the functioning of the Reviewer Queue based on user feedback. Reviewer workload data is displayed on the queued reviewer cards as well. Accepted invitations transitioning to status 'Overdue' are no longer triggering automatic invitations.
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Key Features

- Reviewer workload data is now displayed on the queued reviewer cards

Reviewer workload data was previously shown only on reviewer cards in the Search and Suggestion tabs of the Reviewer Invitation space, before a reviewer was invited or added to the queue. It was not visible on cards in the Invitation Log, under either Invited Reviewers or Queued Reviewers. With this release, workload data is now also displayed on Queued Reviewers cards.

Why does this matter?

The workload indicators – Currently Reviewing and Pending Invitations – help editors identify reviewers who, while suitable, may be unlikely to accept an invitation due to high current workload.

This information is particularly valuable for queued reviewers. Since the queue progresses over an extended period based on system rules, a reviewer's workload at the time of queuing may differ significantly from their workload when they are eventually invited. Displaying this data allows editors to order the queue more effectively – prioritizing reviewers with lower workload while retaining high-workload reviewers further down the queue for when their availability may have improved.

User Interface Updates

-Reviewer workload data is displayed on the 'Queued Reviewers' cards in the 'Invitation Log'

Queued Reviewers (3) ● QUEUE IS NOT ACTIVE 1 required new reviewer to start queue, 2 are optimal

 Aurelia R5 Lazanu ⓘ NASA 	Currently reviewing: 0 Pending invitations: 0 Completed reviews: 3	Invitation email: Default Customize invitation	QUEUED ⓘ
Keywords: no keywords available. + More Details			
 Aurelia R6 Lazanu ⓘ Universitatea Alexandru Ioan Cuza Facultatea de Fizica 	Currently reviewing: 0 Pending invitations: 0 Completed reviews: 1	Invitation email: Default Customize invitation	QUEUED ⓘ
Keywords: no keywords available. + More Details			
 Aurelia R15 Lazanu ⓘ KU Leuven, Leuven 	Currently reviewing: 3 Pending invitations: 1 Completed reviews: 21	Invitation email: Default Customize invitation	QUEUED ⓘ
Keywords: no keywords available. + More Details			

- Accepted invitations transitioning to 'Overdue' status no longer trigger automatic invitations

Previously, the system re-evaluated the queue status and automatically invited the next reviewer in the queue if needed when any of the following events occurred:

- An invitation is declined
- An invitation receives no response within 7 days (considered inactive within the queue logic, though not expired)
- An invitation is revoked by the editor
- The editor updates the notification preference on the required number of reviews before making a decision on the manuscript
- An accepted invitation transitions to 'Overdue' status (review deadline passed)

With this release, the last event – an accepted invitation transitioning to 'Overdue' – no longer triggers a queue re-evaluation and a subsequent automatic invitation. Instead, editors are notified by email when an accepted invitation becomes overdue and retain full control over whether and when to invite the next reviewer in the queue.

Why does this matter?

In most cases, overdue reviewers submit their review shortly after the overdue notification. Under the previous behavior, the system would automatically invite the next queued reviewer at the point of the deadline being passed, should the number of active invitations be below the needed threshold – before it was clear whether the overdue reviewer would still submit. This created two undesirable outcomes for editors ready to make a decision on the manuscript: either waiting for the newly invited reviewer to respond and potentially submit a report, increasing manuscript turnaround time, or revoking the new invitation, which negatively impacts the experience of the invited reviewer. By removing this trigger, the system avoids unnecessary invitations and gives editors the context and control to act based on the actual situation.

User Interface Updates

While this is an automated process with no changes in the UI for the feature, the instructions on the Reviewer Queue were updated to reflect the change.

-Section of the Reviewer Queue instructions updated to state that transitioning to status 'overdue' is no longer triggering an automatic invitation



Reviewer invitations and replies

Use the invitation log to manage and track reviewer invitations. You can invite reviewers manually or set up an automatic queue.

Manual invitations
Invite reviewers directly — they appear immediately in your *Invited Reviewers* list.

Queue-enabled automatic invitations
Add suitable reviewers to the queue and the system sends invitations automatically, managing follow-up until you have the reviewers you need.

When the system invites someone from the queue, they move from *Queued Reviewers* to *Invited Reviewers*, where you can track their status.

Queue actions

- Add or remove reviewers
- Reorder reviewers in the queue
- Customize invitation emails
- Invite specific reviewers manually from the queue
- Start, pause, or resume automatic invitations

When you start the queue, the system invites reviewers based on your journal's peer review requirements and any custom preferences you've set.

How automatic invitations work
The system invites reviewers from the queue, top to bottom, and keeps inviting until you have enough active *invitations*. The number of active *invitations* needed is based on the number of reviews required by your journal, or your custom preference for the manuscript — if you have saved one. As review reports are submitted, the number of active *invitations* needed decreases accordingly.

An invitation is considered active if it is:

- Accepted, or
- Pending and less than 7 days old.

If an invitation is declined, does not receive a response within 7 days, expires, or is revoked by the editor, the invitation becomes inactive and the system checks whether more reviewers are needed. If so, it invites the next person in the queue.

 **Overdue invitations no longer trigger an automatic next invite**
Overdue invitations now count as active, so the system will not automatically invite a replacement while one is outstanding.

The system will not invite another reviewer if there are enough active *invitations*.

More than 80% of reviewers are keeping the original invitation.

When the queue pauses
The queue pauses automatically when there are unnecessary invitation.

The queue also pauses when there are enough active *invitations*.

If an invitation is declined, does not receive a response within 7 days, expires, or is revoked by the editor, the invitation becomes inactive and the system checks whether more reviewers are needed. If so, it invites the next person in the queue.

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Overdue invitations now count as active, so the system will not automatically invite a replacement while one is outstanding.

The system will not invite another reviewer if there are enough active *invitations*.

June-2026: Reviewers can opt out from reviewer invitations at journal level - Phase 1

Available from	30-June-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Reviewers (all publisher tenants on the Research Exchange platform)

Overview	Currently, the only option for reviewers to unsubscribe from review invitations is an all or none solution stopping invitations from all the journals operating on the Research Exchange platform, regardless of publisher. Users may choose this option from their Review User Profile, but this requires the reviewer to have an account in Review and to log in to update this choice. This release enables reviewers receiving invitations to review manuscripts to opt out of future invitations from a specific journal, directly from the invitation email – without needing to create an account or log in to the application.
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Key Features

For Reviewers

A new line has been added to all reviewer invitation email templates: "To opt out of future invitations to review manuscripts for this journal, click here."

- Clicking the link opens an 'opt out' page where the reviewer can confirm their preference for that journal and that email address only.
- Upon opting out, a confirmation page is displayed, and all pending invitations from that journal are automatically declined. Accepted invitations already in progress are not impacted.
- Reviewers can opt back in at any time by using the same URL from the original invitation email.
- No account creation or login is required to manage this preference.

Email templates updated include:

- Invitation to review a manuscript (single anonymous & double anonymous peer review models)
- Re-invitation to review a revised manuscript (single anonymous & double anonymous peer review models)

- First, second, and third reminders to review a manuscript (single anonymous & double anonymous peer review models)

For Editors (no change in Phase 1)

Reviewer cards in the Reviewer Invitation space (e.g., suggestions, search results) display a "Review Opt-Out" tag in red for reviewers who have opted out:

- from a particular journal using the new feature
- from all journals in the platform based on the 'all or none' unsubscribe option prior to this feature

Editors can still send an in-app invitation to an opted-out reviewer

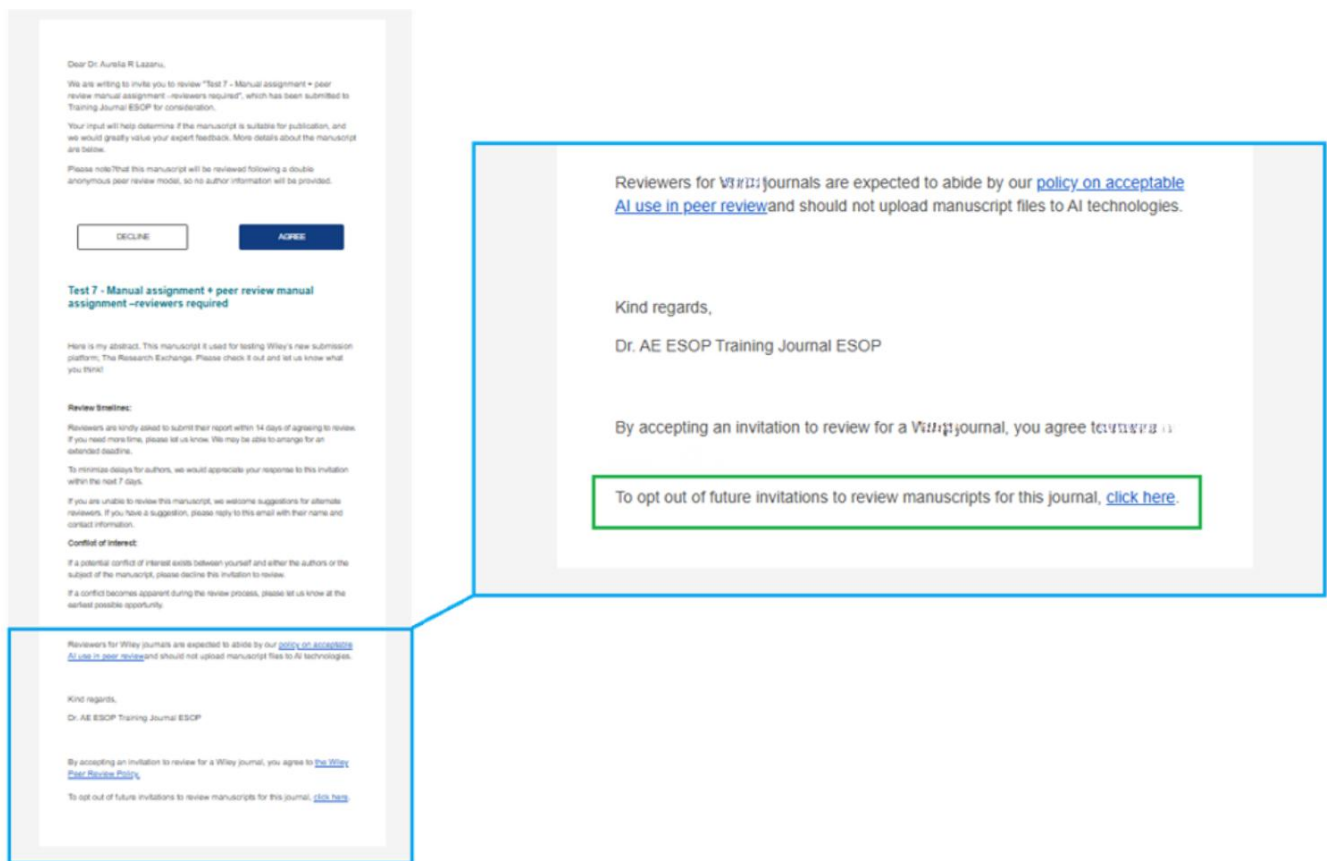
- A warning modal will inform the editor that the reviewer has opted out and will not receive an email notification.
- If the editor proceeds, the invitation is recorded in the system. The reviewer will not receive an email but can see and respond to the invitation if they log into the application.

Important Limitations in Phase 1

- The opt-out preference is saved per journal – it applies solely to the journal that sent the invitation
- The opt-out preference is saved per the email address that received the invitation – the reviewer cannot save a preference for other email addresses that they may have
- Reviewers cannot yet manage preferences across multiple journals in a single place. This capability is planned for Phase 2.
- Invitation emails are blocked for opted-out reviewers, but in-app invitations are still permitted by editors in Phase 1.

User Interface Updates

-Invitation to review a manuscript sample email illustrating the new text added as an entry point for the new feature: "To opt out of future invitations to review manuscripts for this journal, click here."



-The warning modal on the 'opt out' management page opened by accessing the URL in the invitation email or reminder.



Opt out of review invitations?

Please confirm that you no longer wish to receive invitations to review papers for **Training Journal ESOP** at this email address [redacted]. This setting is saved for this email address only.

- Reviews you are currently working on won't be affected
- All pending invitations to review for this journal will be automatically declined.

Opt Out

- The confirmation modal on the 'opt out' management page when the opt-out preference is successfully saved, displaying the possibility to change the preference and opt back in.



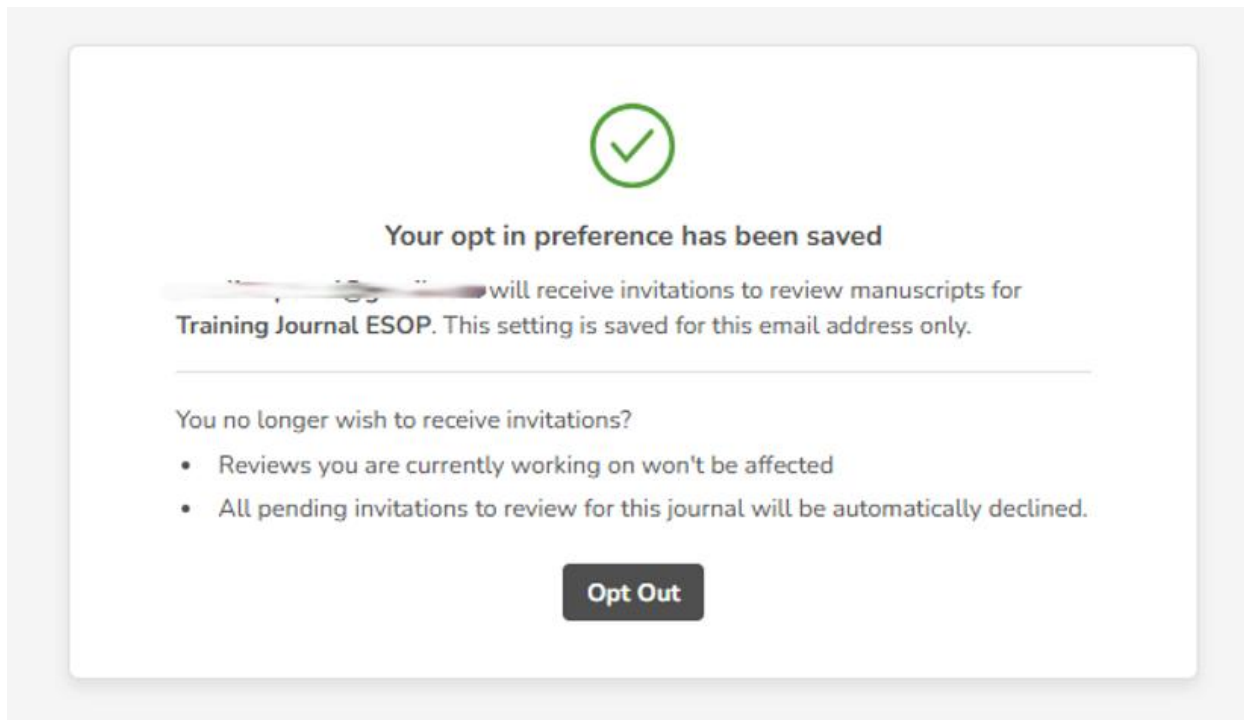
Your opt out preference has been saved

[redacted] will no longer receive invitations to review manuscripts for **Training Journal ESOP**. This setting is saved for this email address only.

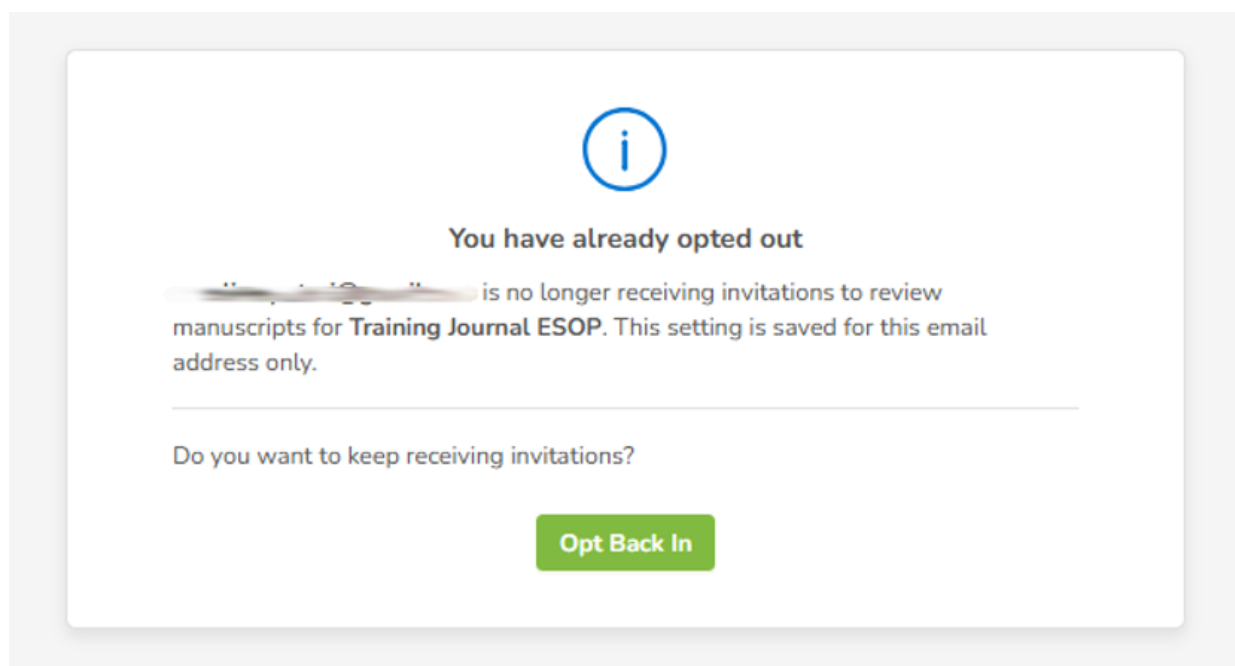
Do you want to keep receiving invitations?

Opt Back In

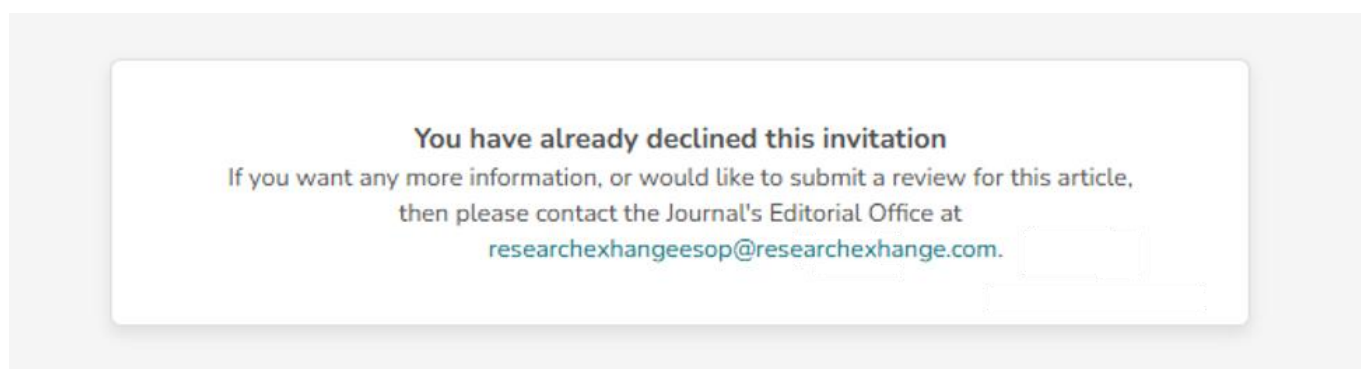
- The confirmation modal on the 'opt out' management page when the preference is changed and the reviewer opts back in, displaying the possibility to change the preference and opt out.



- The confirmation modal on the 'opt out' management page when the reviewer accesses the URL in an invitation email or reminder, after they have already saved the opt-out preference for that journal. Modal displays the possibility to change the preference and opt back in.



-The page displayed if the reviewer attempts to respond to an invitation after they have already saved the opt-out preference for that journal and the respective invitation was automatically declined. This is the page displayed in the general scenario where the reviewer attempts to respond again to an invitation that was already declined.



June-2026: Email Notification Management (Editors)

Available from	25-June-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review, Screening
Impacted Roles	All Editor roles

Overview	Editors can now manage their email notification settings directly from their Review profile. This feature was introduced in response to consistent editor feedback that high volumes of system-generated emails are difficult to manage Editors can enable or disable individual optional email notification types at any time. Essential notifications remain always-on and cannot be disabled to ensure editors are informed of key workflow events or actions. All preferences are saved per user and applied to future notifications only.
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Key Features

Email Notification Settings in Review Profile A new "Notification Settings" section is now available in each editor's Review profile Account Settings. From this section, editors can view all email notification types organized by category and toggle individual notifications on or off.

Email types are grouped by category

- Invitations & Assignments
- Responses to invitations
- Review process
- Make decision or recommendation
- Task notifications
- Confirmation emails
 - Each email type includes an on/off checkbox. Checkboxes are disabled for essential notifications
 - All notifications are enabled by default

- All optional email notifications now include a footer link directing editors to their Email Notifications profile page. Editors can use this link to quickly access and update their preferences. This footer link is excluded from required email notifications.
- To restore receipt of notifications for emails currently checked "off", Editors must reenter their "Notification Settings" section via the Review profile Account Settings and check "on". Notifications will then resume upon next applicable email triggering event.
- Saved preferences are applied to all future qualifying events, on all journals for which the user holds an editorial role. Changes do not affect emails that have already been sent.

User Interface Updates

- New Email Notifications section added to the Review user profile Account Settings
- Display by email category and notification type, separated by editor and reviewer role tabs
- Toggle controls (on/off) displayed adjacent to each configurable email type
- Required email types are visually indicated (e.g., grayed out, locked icon, or "Required" label) and are non-interactive
- Toggle changes will take effect immediately on any new email notifications
Footer link added to all optional email templates, linking to the Email Notifications profile page

Editor Tab

Publisher Logo

DASHBOARD / ACCOUNT SETTINGS / NOTIFICATION SETTINGS

 Your preferences are saved automatically. 

Editor Role Reviewer Role

✓ Essential notifications are always enabled to ensure you don't miss critical updates.

NOTIFICATIONS EMAIL

Invitation & Assignments ☒

Invitation to handle a manuscript ☒

Reminders to respond to invitation to handle a manuscript ☒

Notification that you were automatically assigned a manuscript ☒

Reviewer Tab

Editor Role (16/20) Reviewer Role (0/1)

✓ Essential notifications are always enabled to ensure you don't miss critical updates.

NOTIFICATIONS EMAIL

Invitations ☐

Invitation to review a manuscript ☐

List of Notification Settings Available for Editors

Category: Invitations & Assignments

Email Notification	Available Action
Invitations to handle a manuscript	None
Reminders to respond to invitation to handle a manuscript	None
Notification that you were automatically assigned a manuscript	Toggle on/off

Confirmation that you accepted the handling editor assignment	Toggle on/off
Reminders to invite reviewers <i>Reminders are sent X and X days after a manuscript is assigned.</i>	Toggle on/off

Category: Responses to invitation

Email Notification	Available Action
An editor declined to handle a manuscript or the editor invitation expired <i>You may need to invite another editor to handle the manuscript.</i>	Toggle on/off
A reviewer agreed to handle a manuscript	Toggle on/off
A reviewer declined to handle a manuscript or the reviewer invitation expired <i>You may need to invite additional reviewers.</i>	Toggle on/off

Category: Review process

Email Notification	Available Action
A reviewer report has been submitted	Toggle on/off
A reviewer report is overdue	Toggle on/off

Category: Make decision or recommendation

Email Notification	Available Action
Manuscript is ready for decision or recommendation	None

<i>A manuscript you are handling has met your specified requirements for notification and/or the minimum journal requirements for making a decision or recommendation.</i>	
Reminders that a manuscript is ready for decision or recommendation <i>These reminders are sent when a manuscript you are handling has met the minimum requirements for making a decision.</i>	Toggle on/off

Category: Task notifications

Email Notification	Available Action
New comment tags	None
Authors have returned a revised version of a manuscript you handled	Toggle on/off
A 'reject' decision' has been rescinded on a manuscript you handled <i>A manuscript you handled has been re-opened, likely following an author's appeal. Action may be needed.</i>	Toggle on/off
A senior editor has returned your recommendation with comments	Toggle on/off

Category: Confirmation emails

Email Notification	Available Action
Email Notification	Available Action
Confirmation of final decision on a manuscript you handled	Toggle on/off

Confirmation of the decision to publish or reject.	
A manuscript assigned to you has been withdrawn	Toggle on/off
You have been removed from an editorial role on a manuscript	Toggle on/off
New comments and replies to manuscripts	Toggle on/off

Category: Invitations

Email Notification	Available Action
Invitations to handle a manuscript	Toggle on/off

Note: If toggled off and the Editor is invited to review a manuscript, they will not receive the email notification; it will appear in their dashboard (Focus>Review) to action. *Risk: If the Editor toggles off this notification before receiving at least invitation to review with that account (thus activating their Review role in the dashboard), they will not see the notification in the dashboard.*

June-2026: Search for Manuscript by Author Email

Available from	14-June-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	All Editors
Overview	The Dashboard has been enhanced to allow all Editors to search for manuscripts using an Author's email address. This feature aligns the Editor experience with existing capabilities available to Full Access Editors (FAEs), Editorial Assistants (EAs), and Journal Managers (JMs), improving efficiency and consistency across roles.

Key Features

All editors can now query manuscripts by entering an author's email address.

Editors will only see manuscripts within their permission scope and filtered view

A valid email address is required to begin the query – i.e. searching for 'john@smith' will prompt the user to enter a valid email address, whereas 'john@smith.com' will begin the query

The feature mirrors the existing author email search behavior used by FAEs, EAs, and JMs.

User Interface Updates

-Added the Author Email search filter to the Editor Dashboard

Author

A UI mockup showing a search filter. It consists of a light gray rectangular input field with rounded corners and a dark gray rectangular button with rounded corners to its right. The input field contains the placeholder text "Type author email" in a light gray font. The button contains the text "Search" in a white font.

-Author and email address will appear as applied filter

Filters

Reset Filters

Journal

Andrologia

Focus ?

☐ Journal-wide 13130

☒ Editor 63

Priority ?

☐ Action required 0

☐ In progress 0

☐ Finalized 0

☒ All 0

Author

Charlotte Bradshaw

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phenomqa+aaa@icr.ty.com

June-2026: Ensure that Review accurately reflects change in editorial roles at the manuscript level

Available from	12-June-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	All Editor roles

Overview	Previously, editorial roles were dynamically sourced from the editorial board, causing historical records (e.g., audit logs and editorial comments) to reflect updated roles rather than the roles held at the time of the action. With this enhancement, the system now records the editorial role at the time of each action, ensuring historical accuracy and consistency even if editorial role holders on the journal are later modified.
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Key Features

- Editorial roles are now stored at the time of each action (e.g., assignment, recommendation, decision).
 - Prevents retroactive changes to historical records when editorial roles are renamed or reassigned.
- Audit log entries retain the original role held by the editor at the time the action was taken.
 - Eliminates inconsistencies where past entries were overwritten with the latest role.
- Editorial comment labels now reflect the role associated with the editor at the time the comment was made.
 - Prevents earlier comments from being relabeled after role changes.
 - Maintains a reliable historical record of editorial decisions and responsibilities.
 - Supports auditability and transparency across manuscript workflows.

User Interface Updates

No visual changes to layout, but improved data accuracy.

Editorial Comments

Role labels displayed on comments are fixed at creation and no longer dynamically updated.

Ensures consistent labeling across the manuscript lifecycle.

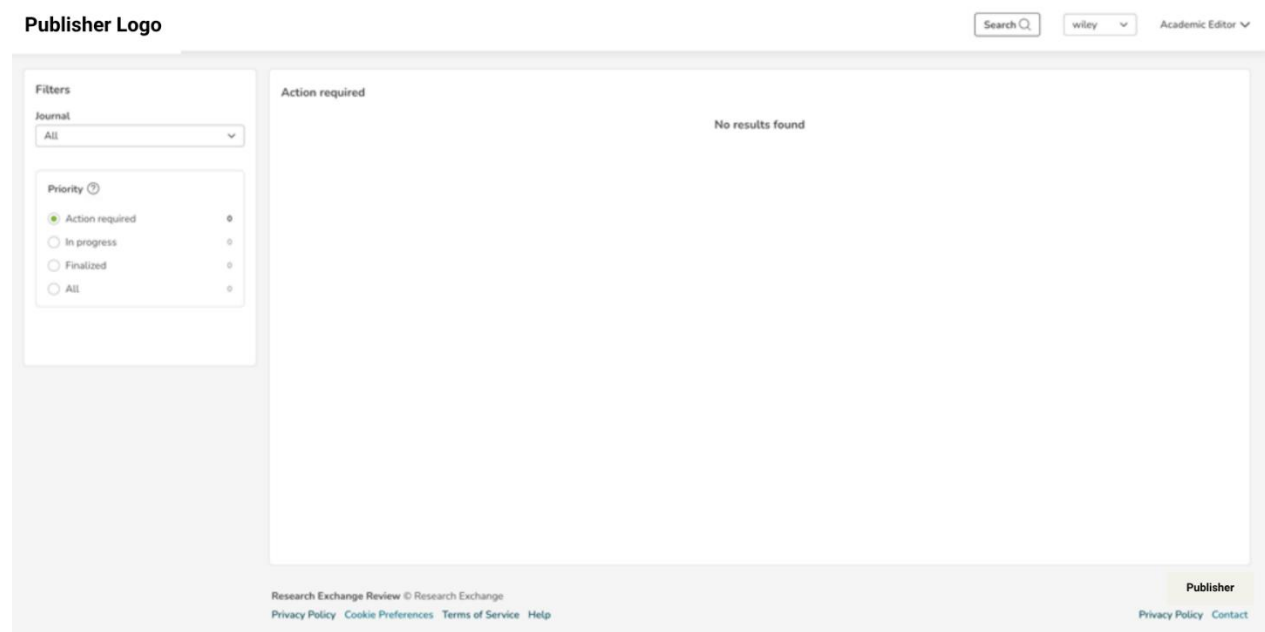
June-2026: New Footer for the Research Exchange Platform

Available from	8-June-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	All users
Overview	The page footer in Research Exchange Review has been updated to include platform-level information alongside the existing publisher links. The footer now displays two distinct sections: platform information on the left, and your publisher-specific links on the right.

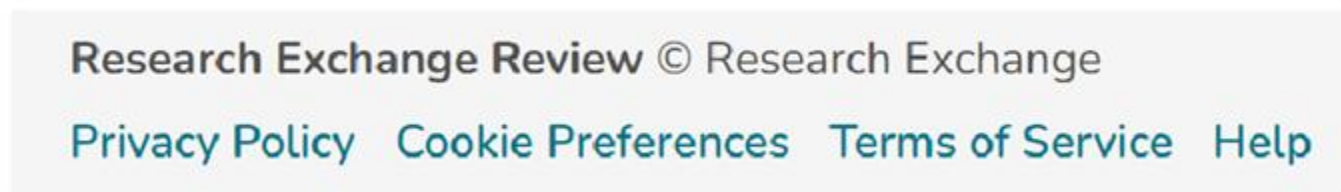
What Is Changing

Previously, the footer contained only publisher-specific links (Privacy Policy, Terms of Service, Support contact, and Cookie Preferences), presented as a single row centered across the page.

-The updated footer introduces a two-column layout



Left side – Platform information: displays the product and platform name and copyright notice, along with links to the platform's Privacy Policy, Cookie Preferences, Terms of Service, and Help



Right side – Publisher information: displays your publisher name and your own Privacy Policy and Customer Support Contact links, as before.



No existing publisher links have been removed. The support email previously shown inline has moved to your publisher's Contact link.

May-2026: Overdue reviewers should be informed that their report is no longer needed

Available from	22-May-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Reviewers
Overview	Previously, overdue reviewers were correctly removed from obligations but were not notified during accept/reject decisions. This update fixes the gap in reviewer notifications when an editorial decision of accept or reject is made. Overdue reviewers are now correctly informed when their report is no longer required, aligning system behavior with reviewer communication policy.

Key Features

Ensures all reviewers who accepted an invitation but did not submit a report—including overdue reviewers—receive a “your report is no longer needed” notification when a manuscript is accepted or rejected.

This brings notification behavior for accept/reject decisions in line with existing policy and with the already-correct behavior seen in revision decisions, where all reviewer states (accepted, pending, overdue) are notified.

May-2026: Reviewers should see only those editorial comments that are related to their manuscript activity

Available from	18-May-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Reviewers
Overview	This release introduces a permission-based visibility system for editorial comments within the review workflow. The update ensures that reviewers can only access comments and communications directly related to their assigned manuscript activity, improving confidentiality, clarity, and relevance across editorial interactions.

Key Features

The visibility logic is designed to support future enhancements, including broader ad hoc communication workflows and a generalized comments feature.

- Reviewers will now only see editorial comments related to their specific contributions.
 - Reviewers can only see decisions from cycles they actively contributed to, so a reviewer who did not participate in each cycle will not see that cycle decision.
- Reviewers can view decision emails or comments sent to authors only if they contributed to that specific manuscript action.
 - Ad hoc and QC-stage communications between editors and authors remain excluded from reviewer visibility, as before.
- Newly invited reviewers after a manuscript is returned to peer review will not have access to:
 - Previous editorial comments

- Prior recommendations or decisions made before their involvement
- Internal editorial recommendations (e.g., an academic editor recommending 'accept' to the triage editor) are no longer visible to reviewers. Only final decisions are shown.
- Private editorial notes (e.g. "Message for editor") included on decisions are no longer visible to reviewers. Only the public decision content is shown.
- Comment threads are dynamically filtered based on reviewer permissions.

May-2026: As an editor on a 3-tier journal I want to be assigned on subsequent activities when I use "Assign myself to next activity"

Available from	12-May-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	Editors on 3-tier journals can now streamline their workflow by pre-assigning themselves to subsequent activities when using "Assign myself to next activity." This enhancement reduces repetitive assignment steps and ensures continuity across activities with similar roles.

Key Features

- When an editor on a 3-tier journal selects Assign myself to next activity, the system identifies upcoming activities that share at least one role with the next activity and support automatic assign or invite.
- Editors can choose to assign themselves to:
 - only the immediate next activity, or
 - any combination of eligible future activities, including all.
 - If an editor opts into future activities, they are automatically assigned when the submission reaches each selected step.
 - Pre-assignment will proceed even when the Editor's Out-of -Office status is on
 - If another editor pre-assigns themselves later, the most recent pre-assignment overrides the previous one.
 - If pre-assigned editor is removed from an activity, they will also be removed from any future activities on the manuscript.

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Confirm your assignment

☐ All eligible steps (2)
 ☒ Next step only

ASSIGNMENT SUMMARY

- Pre-Peer Review step 2

CANCEL

CONFIRM ASSIGNMENT

-Or, where there are no future eligible steps:

:

Confirm your assignment

You're assigning yourself to the next step.

CANCEL

CONFIRM ASSIGNMENT

May-5-2026: Queue Invited Reviewers

Available from	5-May-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Handling Editors
Overview	This release introduces a streamlined reviewer invitation workflow for peer review management. Users can now queue selected reviewers in a prioritized order and invite only the required number of reviewers. If a reviewer declines or fails to respond within the designated timeframe, the system automatically sends an invitation to the next reviewer in the queue. This approach reduces unnecessary invitations, minimizes wasted reviewer effort, and helps shorten turnaround times.

Key Features

Reviewer Queue Management

- Users can search for reviewers once, create a prioritized queue, and include the option to invite the required number of reviewers with or without customized messaging.

Automated Invitation Handling

- When a reviewer declines or does not respond within the set timeframe of 7 days, expires, becomes overdue, or is revoked by the editor, the invitation becomes inactive and the system checks whether more reviewers are needed. If so, it invites the next person in the queue.

The system will not invite another reviewer if there are enough *active invitations*.

The number of *active invitations* needed is based on the number of reviews required by your journal, or your custom preference for the manuscript. As review reports are submitted, the number of *active invitations* needed decreases accordingly.

An invitation is considered *active* if it is:

- a. **Accepted**, or
- b. **Pending and less than 7 days old.**

When the queue pauses

- The queue pauses automatically when the required number of review reports have been submitted (based on journal requirements or your custom preferences).

Queue Numbering

- The queue is numbered, so editors can easily identify the order in which reviewers will be invited.

Re-invite Reviewer Button

- Added a "Re-invite Reviewer" button for journals with queue-enabled functionality.
- Queue numbering is now visible in the UI (top-to-bottom order).

- New “Re-invite Reviewer” and “Re-queue Reviewer” buttons available in queue-enabled journals.

Queued Reviewers (2) ● QUEUE IS NOT ACTIVE 1 required new reviewer to start queue, 2 are optimal



Review Two ⓘ ⓘ

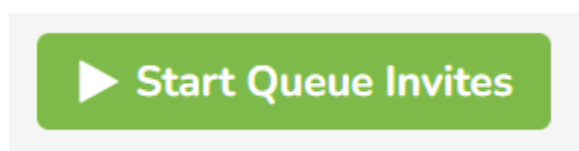
John Wiley & Sons (United Kingdom), Chichester
researchexchangetraining+reviewertwo@wiley.com

Currently reviewing: 7
Pending invitations: 5
Completed reviews: 45

Invitation email: Default
[Customize invitation](#)

QUEUED ⋮

Top keywords: Addendum; Computer science; Interpersonal communication; Law; Library science; Political science; Preprint; Psychology; Social psycho... [+ More Details](#)





Review Two ⓘ ⓘ

John Wiley & Sons (United Kingdom), Chichester
researchexchangetraining+reviewertwo@wiley.com

Currently reviewing: 7
Pending invitations: 5
Completed reviews: 45

[Invite Now](#)

Add To Queue

[Rate Suggestion](#)

Top keywords: Computer science; Law; Library science; Mathematical analysis; Mathematics; Medical education; Medicine; Peer review; Political science; ... [+ More Details](#)

April-2026: Journal Scope Checker Optimization

Available from	17-April-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors, Editorial Assistants, Admins, Reviewers
Overview	Research Exchange Screening uses a Journal Scope Checker to assess whether a submitted manuscript falls within a journal's stated aims and scope. Before this release: 1. <i>Scope Check had three main results: In Scope, Moderately In Scope, or Out of Scope</i> 2. <i>The check lacked explanatory reasoning</i> 3. <i>Journal history was a primary driver for Scope Assessment, comparing new content to</i>

	<i>previously published articles and assessing relevance</i> With this release, journal Scope Checks have been migrated to a new service. This new version uses an agentic LLM-as-a-jury pipeline to deliver a more accurate, more explainable scope assessment. For journal scope, the pipeline now runs in two stages. • First, it checks the manuscript title and abstract against the journal's scope description and aims and scope. • Then, if the result is 'Out of Scope' and similar publications exist in the journal publication history, a second stage checks whether the journal's actual publication history supports or contradicts the overall scope decision. This is a critical change: <i>it catches cases where a journal's stated scope diverges from what it has historically published.</i> Scope results are now binary, returning a clean 'In Scope' or 'Out of Scope' verdict, along with a Publication History Alignment assessment for papers which trigger the second level of checks.
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Key Features

Binary scope result

- 'Moderately In Scope' has been removed. Results are now In Scope or Out of Scope only.

New 'Reason' field

- Every scope result now includes a 2-3 sentence explanation of the decision, always visible regardless of outcome.

Publication history alignment

- When a manuscript is assessed as Out of Scope and similar publications exist in the journal, a secondary LLM review runs against the journal's publication history. The result ('supports' or 'contradicts') is stored for reporting purposes, and displayed to users when both the manuscript is Out of Scope *and* publication history contradicts the primary decision.

Publication history note

- For papers that trigger the alignment question, a contextual note is displayed, explaining what the journal's historical publications suggest about the submission.
- Screening reports updated
- All new response fields are displayed in both inline Review reports and HTML Screening reports.

User Interface Updates

How results display within the manuscript view:

- *In Scope*

The screenshot displays the 'Scope Match' interface. At the top, a green 'IN SCOPE' badge is visible. Below it, a 'Learn more' section explains the tool's purpose. The main section shows the 'Journal scope check match' as 'In scope' with a green checkmark and a 'View reason' link. Below this, the 'Manuscript' title is 'Dynamic Thermal Response of a Half Plane under Generalized Transient Thermal Loading', and the 'Journal' is 'Advances in Mathematical Physics'. A 'Special issue' section is also present, titled 'Application of Set and its Extensions in Engineering and Sciences: Theory, Modeling and Simulations'. A 'Call for papers (special issue)' link with a '+ Show Details' button is shown. A 'Similar manuscripts published in the journal' section lists five related papers. At the bottom, a 'How accurate is "Scope Match" check:' section has three buttons: 'Not Accurate At All', 'Somewhat Accurate', and 'Accurate'.

Machine-Generated Content Detection

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

Tortured Ph

3 PHRASES FOUND

Scope Match

IN SCOPE

Journal scope check match

In scope — View reason

In scope — View reason

Learn More

Manuscript

Dynamic Thermal Response of Multiple Parallel Cracks in a Half Plane under General Transient Thermal Loading

Journal

Advances in Mathematical Physics

Special issue

Application of Fuzzy Set and its Extensions in Engineering and Sciences: Theory, Models, and Simulations

Call for papers (special issue)

Hide Details

Potential topics include but are not limited to the following:

- Decision models for knowledge sharing.
- Business analytics.
- Soft computing.
- Economic decisions with knowledge-based systems.
- Enterprise knowledge computing and evaluation.
- Strategic decision making.
- Decision models for learning.
- Intelligent decision-making.
- Intelligent optimization.
- Nature-inspired optimization.
- Data envelopment analysis.
- Supply chain management.
- Inventory, logistics, and transportation.
- Linear/nonlinear systems.
- Computational modelling.

Out of Scope

Scope Match

OUT OF SCOPE

Journal scope check match

In scope — View reason

Special issue scope check match

Out of scope — View reason

Learn More

Manuscript

Dynamic Thermal Response of Multiple Parallel Cracks in a Half Plane under General Transient Thermal Loading

Journal

Advances in Mathematical Physics

Special issue

Application of Fuzzy Set and its Extensions in Engineering and Sciences: Theory, Models, and Simulations

Call for papers (special issue)

Show Details

Similar manuscripts published in the journal

- The Exact Solutions of the Conformable Time-Fractional Modified Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation by the Trial Equation Method and Homotopy Perturbation Method
- The Modified Laplace Transform Method for a Time-Fractional Biwave Equation
- Optical Solitons and Jkyto Turbulent Wave Solutions for the Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation with Generalized Anti-Breit-Wignerity
- The Exact Solutions of the Conformable Time-Fractional Modified Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation by the Trial Equation Method and Homotopy Perturbation Method
- A Stochastic Approach Analysing Entrepreneurs' Investment Following Financing Reform in China

Out of Scope, but publication history triggered

— Scope Match **BETA** OUT OF SCOPE

Journal scope check match Learn More

Out of scope — View reason

Previous publications in this journal have focused on related topics, indicating a possible concept shift of the journal.

Manuscript	Journal
Dynamic Thermal Response of Multi-Parallel Cracks in a Half Plane under General Transient Thermal Loading	Advances in Mathematical Physics

Similar manuscripts published in the journal

1. The Exact Solution of the Conformable Time-Fractional Modified Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation by the Trial Equation Method and Modified Trial Equation Method
2. The Modified Separation of Variables Method for Time Fractional Bi-phase-Phase Equation
3. Optical Solitons and Single Transverse Wave Solitons in a Waveguide Gratings with Generalized Anticubic Nonlinearity
4. The Exact Solution of the Conformable Time-Fractional Modified Nonlinear Schrödinger Equation by the Trial Equation Method and Modified Trial Equation Method
5. A Stochastic Approach Analyzing Efficient Investment Strategies in Financial Markets

How accurate is "Scope Match" check:

Not enough information

— Scope Match **BETA** NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION

Journal scope check match Learn More

In Scope — View reason

Special issue scope check match Learn More

Not enough information — View reason

Manuscript	Journal
Dynamic Thermal Response of Multi-Parallel Cracks in a Half Plane under General Transient Thermal Loading	Advances in Mathematical Physics

Special issue

Nonlinear Fuzzy Set and its Applications in Engineering and Science: Theory, Models, and Simulation

Call for papers (special issue) [+ Show Details](#)

Similar manuscripts published in the journal

March-2026: Reflect the correct activity and roles in the manuscript activity logs

Available from	26-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors, Editorial Assistants, Admins, Reviewers
Overview	The manuscript activity log now more accurately reflects the specific editorial workflow step and the correct editor role associated with each action. This

	enhancement removes ambiguity in multi-step processes—such as multi-tier triage or post-peer-review stages—and is needed to allow for custom roles
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Key Features

- **Exact workflow sub-steps displayed**
Activity cards now show the *specific* manuscript flow step (e.g., **Pre-peer review 1**, **Pre-peer review 2**, ..., **Post-Peer-Review 1**, etc.), instead of repeating generic labels.
- **Correct role labels shown in activity logs**
Each activity card now displays the **full editorial role label** (e.g., *Chief Editor*, *Associate Editor*) instead of the abbreviated internal code previously shown.

This includes the Full Access Editorial role, previously shown as ME, and now will be displayed as *Managing Editor*

- **Improved filtering by editor role**
Roles that appear in multiple workflow stages now appear **only once** in the filter list.
Selecting a role shows all actions taken by that editor across triage, peer review, and post-peer-review stages.

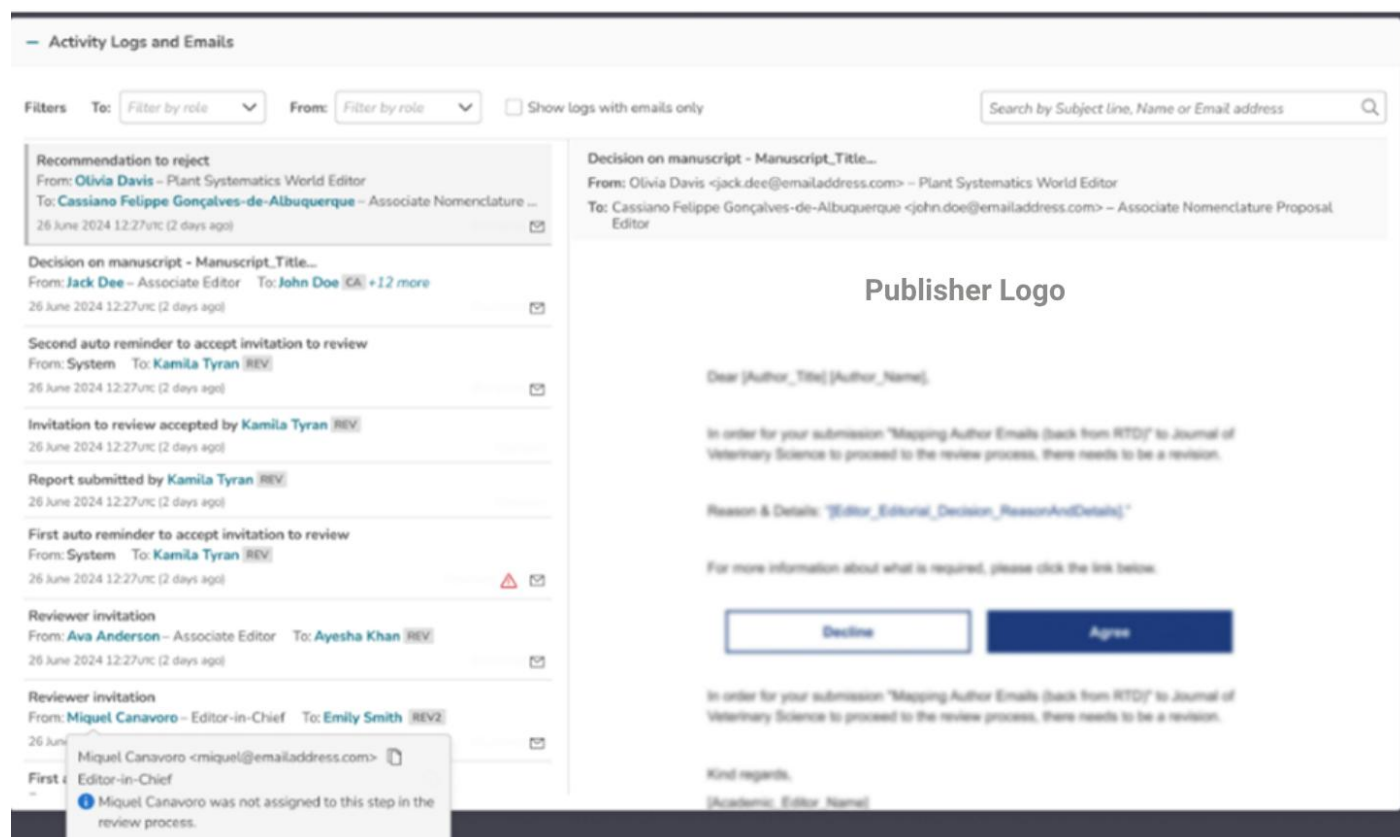
User Interface Updates

-Updated filter design

- Role filters are deduplicated and show user-friendly labels.
- Selecting a role filter to all activities performed by that editor across all workflow stages.

-Activity log cards now display:

- Full manuscript flow step name (e.g., *pre-peer review1*, *peer review*, *post-peer-review 2*).
- Full editor role label instead of abbreviations.



-Updated filter design

- Role filters are deduplicated and show user-friendly labels.
- Selecting a role filter to all activities performed by that editor across all workflow stages.

March -2026: Submission volume per Author displayed within Author Identity Verification

Available from	26-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Screeners (Wiley tenant only)
Overview	Screeners can now see how many manuscripts each author on a manuscript has submitted to Wiley journals over the last 12 months. This signal helps screeners identify authors submitting at unusually high

volumes, which may indicate spam behavior or low-quality bulk submissions.

Key Features

On the Author Identity Verification screen, two counts are displayed for each author in the author list:

- *Submissions to this journal (last 12 months)*
- *Submissions across all Wiley journals in Research Exchange (last 12 months)*

Counts are counted using email address, are unique per manuscript (revised or return-to-draft resubmissions are not double counted) and are ringfenced for the Wiley tenant.

User Interface Updates

Author Verification screen

#Submissions LTM ("last twelve months") added

The screenshot shows a user interface for an author's submission details. At the top, it says "#1 Author, Submitting". Below this, in a rounded rectangular box, are the following details: "First Name: Daniel Last Name: McDowell", "Email: daniel.mcdowellr@ub.edu", "Country: Spain", "Affiliation: Universitat de Barcelona", "ORCID ID: 4x1y-xyxy-0024-xyxy" (where the ID is in green), "#Submissions LTM" followed by a question mark icon in a circle, and "Current journal: 2 All journals: 15".

-Hover over the icon to display tool tip/explanation

#1 Author, Submitting

First Name: Dani

Email: daniel.mcc

Country: Spain

Affiliation: Unive

ORCID ID: 0000-

Number of submissions over the last 12 months where this author's email address appears in the author list.

- Current journal: submissions to this journal
- All journals: submissions to this publisher

#Submissions LTM 

Current journal: 2 All journals: 15

March-2026: Expanded Editor Selection for Pre-peer, Peer, and Post-peer Review Activities

Available from	23-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editorial Assistants, Admins, and Journal Managers
Overview	Currently, when an Editorial Assistant, Administrator, or Journal Manager invites/assigns an editor in Pre-peer review, they are able to use a toggle to select an editor from any editorial role in Pre-peer review step 1. With this release, the toggle is now available during pre-peer review step 2, Peer review and Post-peer review activities.

User Interface Update

-“Show all editorial board members” toggle now appears during Peer review and Post-peer review activities.

Reassign Editor for Pre-Peer Review

Search by editor name or email address ☐ Show all editorial board members

Score Editor information Editor activity

58% NON-RESPONSIBLE ROLE Academic Editor AE
Academic Editor
phenomqa+ae@wiley.com

Current assignments: 0

Keywords: Physics; Mathematics

Triage Editor TE
Chief Editor
phenomqa+te@wiley.com

Current assignments: 1 ASSIGNED

March-2026: Conflict of Interest: Reviewer Name Matching

Available from	17-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	Research Exchange Review now flags potential conflicts of interest (COI) when a reviewer's name exactly matches the name of an author on the manuscript under consideration. This enhancement addresses a gap in the existing COI detection logic: previously, reviewers with the same name as an author but a different registered email address could appear in suggestions without any COI signal. Flagged reviewers are not removed from results, but are flagged. Editors retain full visibility and the ability to invite or queue flagged reviewers, with clear warnings surfaced at the point of reviewer selection.

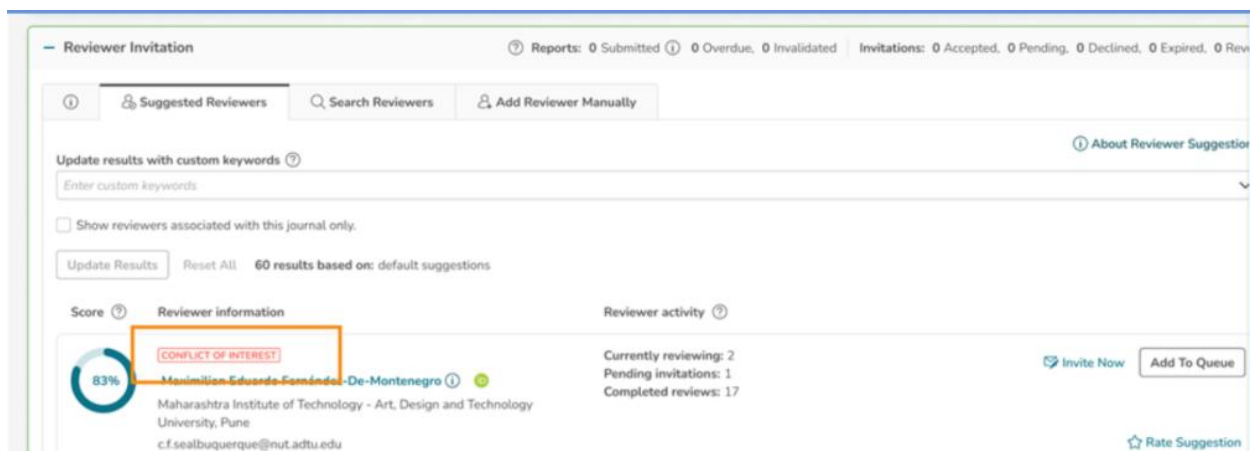
Key Features

- A potential COI is flagged when there is an exact, case-insensitive match between a reviewer's name and any author listed on the manuscript. Matches against multiple authors are supported, though this scenario is expected to be rare.

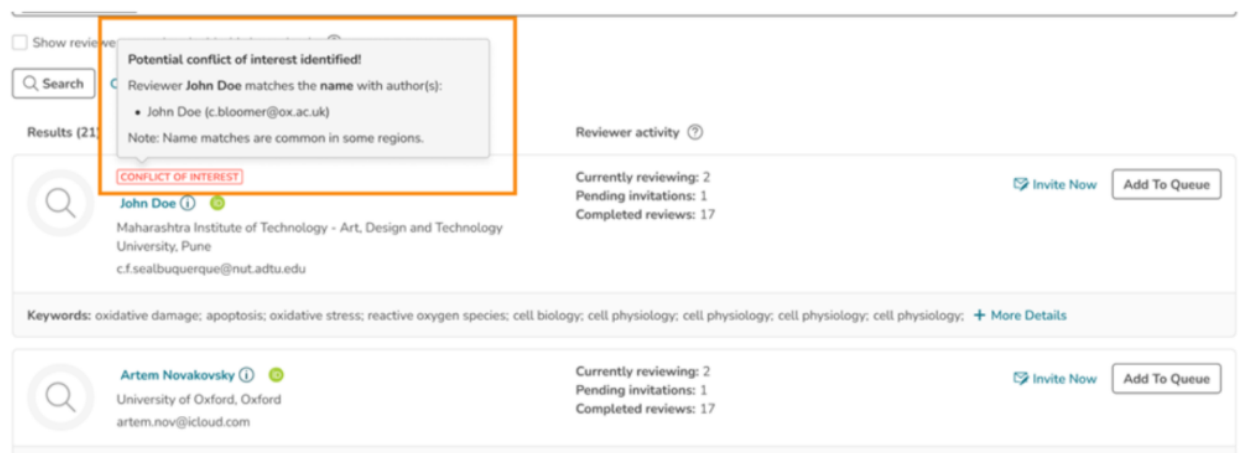
- Flagged reviewers remain visible in all reviewer lists. Exact name matches are common across many regions and may not represent a genuine conflict; editorial judgment is required before acting on a flag.
- When an editor attempts to invite or queue a reviewer flagged for a potential COI, a warning modal is displayed.
- Where both a name match *and* an affiliation match are present, the popover and warning modal combine both signals into a single, consolidated display.

User Interface Updates

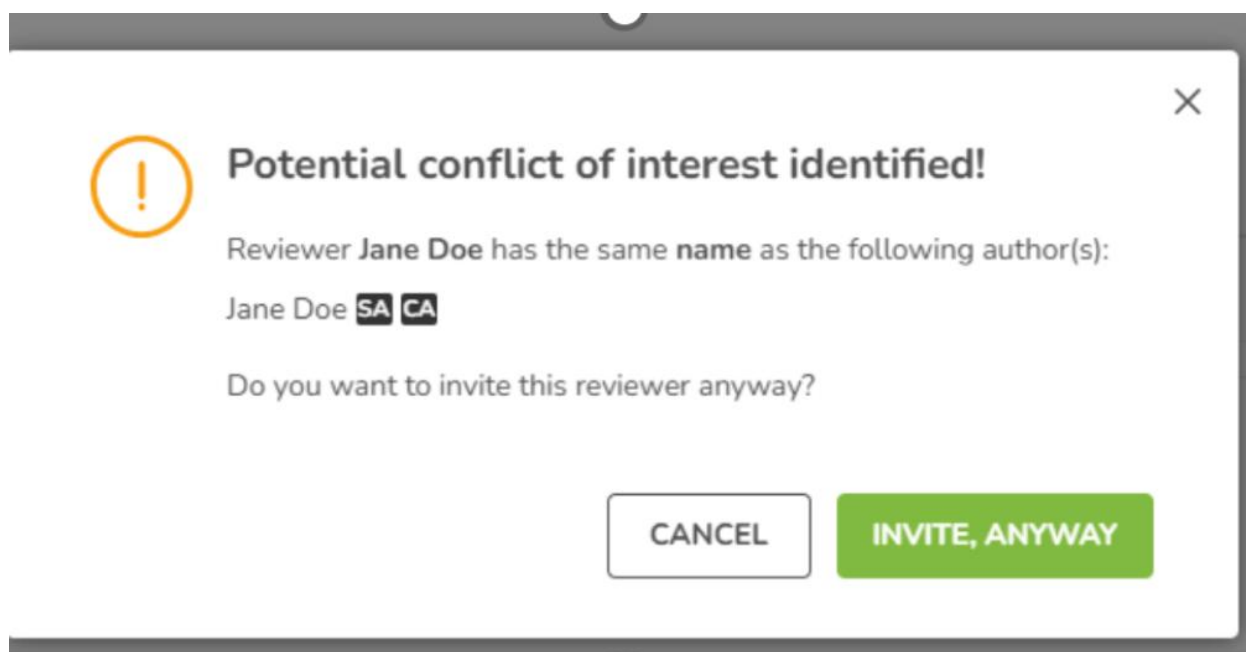
-*COI tag on reviewer cards*: A red **CONFLICT OF INTEREST** tag appears on the reviewer card wherever the reviewer is surfaced — 'Suggested Reviewers' tab, 'Search Reviewers', 'Specialized Reviewers', and 'Previous Version Reviewers'.



Hover popover: Hovering over a flagged card displays a popover with the label "Potential Conflict of Interest" and the advisory note: "Note: Name matches are common in some regions."



Warning modal: Inviting a reviewer flagged with CONFLICT OF INTEREST due to having the same name as one of the authors triggers a confirmation modal warning about the potential conflict of interest.



March-2026: Customizable Signature at the User Profile Level

Available from	9-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors — users who are active board members on at least one journal, including special-issue boards.

Overview	Editors on system emails can now customize their signature at their user profile level to give senders more flexibility and control over communicating with transparency about their identity, role on the manuscript, and affiliations.
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Key Features

Save custom signature at ReX Review user account level

- Users can navigate to their My Profile section in ReX Review where they will find a new section entitled: "My Custom Email Sign-off and Signature". The "Create Signature" button will open the "Create and Preview your Signature" modal
- Users can personalize the sign-off as part of their custom email signature
- Users can use a rich text editor to customize their signature, which includes styling elements like bold, italic, underline, and predefined variables for their 'user role' and 'journal title'
- Users can preview their updates live in the "Preview Signature" window, which populates variable values based on a journal selected by the user (useful when the user has multiple editor roles across journals and special issues)
- Users can send a test email to their inbox by clicking the "Send Test Email" button, which uses a dedicated 'Test Signature' template for validation before any changes are saved
- The system will automatically use the custom signature in system emails where the respective user is the designated sender (e.g., the peer-review handling editor when sending an 'Invitation to Review', the decision-making editor when sending a 'Decision Letter'), and where the signature element in the email template has been assigned a signature identifier by a system administrator
- The "Sender" is the person signing the notification, not the 'From' address seen by the recipient in their inbox (which is the journal office email)
- The custom signature value (including the sign-off) will replace the entire default signature block in the email template, provided that the signature element has been assigned a signature identifier by a system administrator

The signature element in templates is a text block with the following general structure:

Kind regards,

[[SENDER_TITLE]] [[SENDER_GIVENNAME]] [[SENDER_SURNAME]]

[[JOURNAL_NAME]]

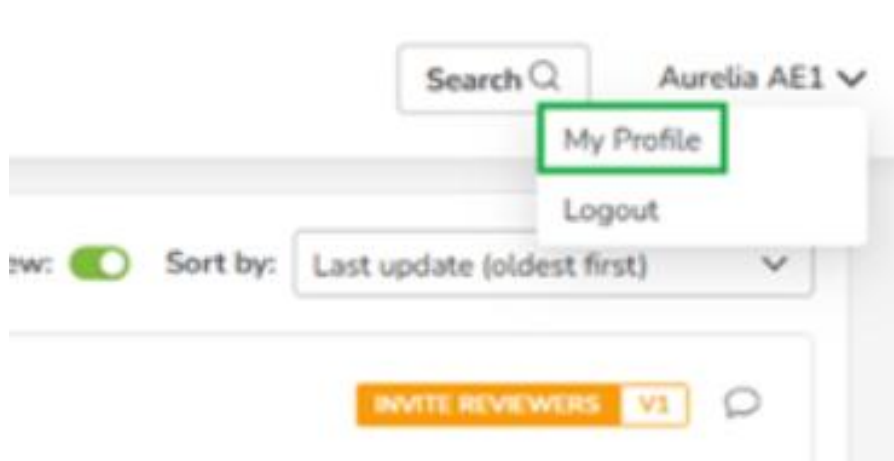
Dynamic User Role and Journal Variables

- Editors have the ability to include the variables [[User_Role]] and [[Journal_Title]] in the signature rich text editor, which will be automatically populated based on context.
- Editors are encouraged to use the variables in their custom signatures to ensure accurate, context-specific information in system emails, and to allow the system to automatically adjust values when users hold multiple roles across journals or special issues, or when their assignments change over time (e.g., being removed from a role or assigned a new one).
- System automatically adjusts signature details for users with multiple editorial roles across journals and special issues, as follows:

Editor has role in the Regular Editorial Board of a Journal	Editor has role in a Special Issue Board for that Journal	Issue Type of the Manuscript in the context of the email	[[User_Role]]
YES	NO	Regular Issue	The label of the role in the Regular Board
YES	YES	Any issue	The label of the role in the Regular Board
NO	YES	Special Issue	The label of the role in the Special Issue Board

User Interface Updates

-Entry Point – 'Account Settings' page accessed via the 'My Profile' option in the user menu at the top-right corner of the screen in ReX Review



-New section on the Account Settings page: My Custom Email Sign-off and Signature.

-The button Create Signature opens the "Create and Preview your Signature" modal (the button updates to Edit after a custom signature has been saved)

The image shows a user profile settings interface. It contains several sections: 'My Affiliation' with the text 'Hindawi (United Kingdom), London' and an 'Edit' link; 'My Expertise Keywords' with the text 'No keywords assigned' and an 'Edit' link; 'Unavailable Dates (0)' with an 'Add New Unavailable Dates' link and an 'About Unavailable Dates' link; and 'My Custom Email Sign-off and Signature' with a 'Create Signature' link. The 'My Custom Email Sign-off and Signature' section is highlighted with a green rectangular border. Below this is a 'Notification Settings' section with the text 'Choose which emails you want to receive.'

- The modal **Create and Preview your Signature** enables customization and live preview of changes before they are saved
Modal components:
- Left panel: **Create Signature**
Form to customize the signature split into: *Custom sign-off* (e.g., "Kind regards"), and *Signature rich text editor* with basic formatting (bold, italic, underline), insert link, and variable placeholders
- Right Panel: **Preview Signature**
Real-time rendering of the custom signature that updates live as the user types, and that populates the values of the variables based on journal selection (journal options drop-down).
Intended to help editors select one of multiple roles on journals/special issues, to visualize how the signature looks like in the respective context

Create and Preview your Signature

Create Signature

Customise sign-off here:

Best wishes,

Create your custom email signature here:

Professor Sherlock Holmes, PhD
 Head of Department of Applied Logic & Forensic Reasoning
 University of London
 [[User_Role]] of [[Journal_Title]]

Variables ▾ B I U ↗

The variables shown in the text box will be automatically populated by the system with the correct values based on your role on the journal. This is especially important for users who hold multiple roles across different journals, as the system will adjust the information accordingly.

Send Test Email **Cancel** **Save and Close**

Preview Signature

Choose a journal to see how your signature will appear in emails for that journal:

Behavioral Interventions ▾

Best wishes,

Professor Sherlock Holmes, PhD
 Head of Department of Applied Logic & Forensic Reasoning
 University of London
 Academic Editor of Behavioral Interventions

- **Variables drop-down** - allows editors to include the variables: [[User_Role]], [[Journal_Title]] available from a selection drop-down

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[[User_Role]] of [[Journal_Title]]

Insert Variable

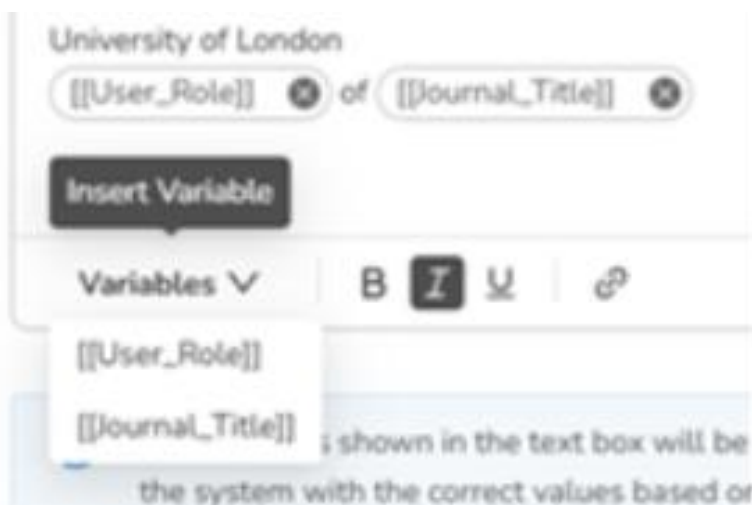
Variables ▾ B I U ↗

[[User_Role]]

[[Journal_Title]]

The variables shown in the text box will be automatically populated by the system with the correct values based on your role on the journal. This is especially important for users who hold multiple roles across different journals, as the system will adjust the information accordingly.

- **Journals drop-down** – allows editors to preview the signature for their role on different journals



March-2026: User Interface Update: Editorial workflow and editor information is made available in the manuscript view

Available from	9-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review; 3-tier Journals ONLY

In **3-tier Journals ONLY** a new side panel is now available to display key submission information.

Left-Side Collapsible Menu

- This panel:
- Lists all submission steps according to the editorial workflow at the time of submission
- Clearly indicates the current active step
- Shows which editors are assigned to each activity
- Updates dynamically as the submission moves through the workflow
- Completed steps are marked accordingly
- The next upcoming step becomes highlighted
- Editor invitations/assignments are surfaced as they occur

Floating Submission Header

- As the user scrolls, the submission header (including version details and core information) remains visible

- Provides a quick way for users to switch to the most recent version

Navigating Older Versions

- When viewing an older version, the left-side panel includes a simple mechanism for editors to jump directly to the latest version

March-2026: User Interface Update: 'Suggestion List'

Available from	9-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Screeners
Overview	The Author Identity Verification 'Suggestion List' has been updated to better target likely author identities.

Key Features

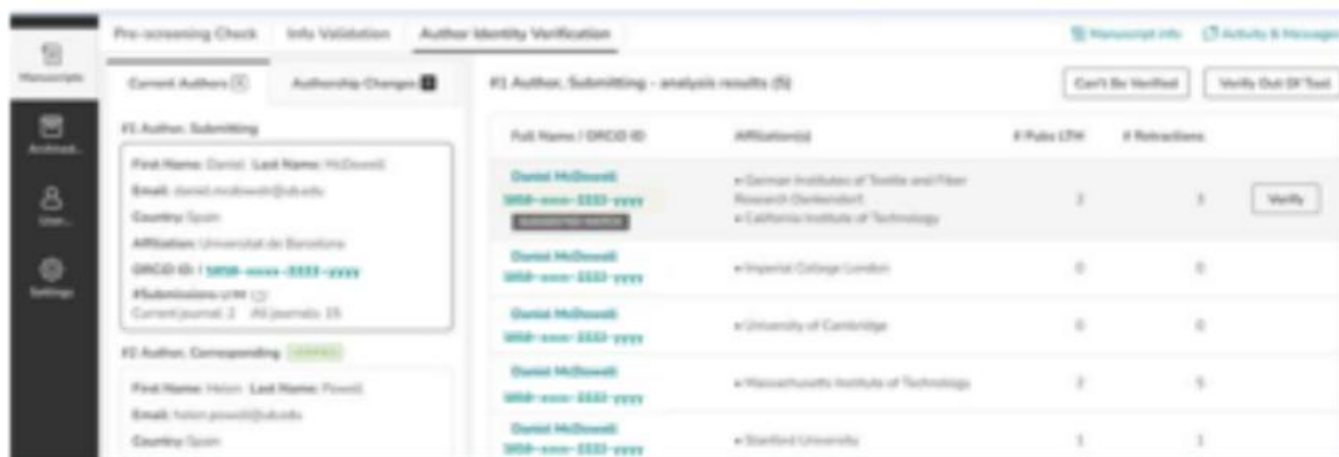
Drawing on wide network analysis with the PKG service, ReX now assigns confidence scores to suggested matches.

- Authors scoring 0.8 or above are tagged with a 'Suggested Match' badge and ranked at the top of the list – this threshold has been validated at 99% accuracy.
- Results are now limited to 10 (from 20).

User Interface Updates

Author Identity Verification Screen

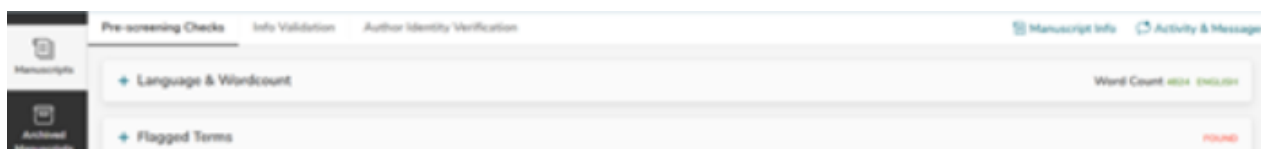
"Suggested Match" tag



March-2026: User Interface Update: Update terminology and naming conventions, Optional text box for comments

Available from	3-March-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening

Suspicious Keywords are now 'Flagged Terms'



Refuse to Consider Manuscript

Integrity Concerns
☐ Simultaneous submission to multiple journals
☐ Suspected data falsification/fabrication
☐ Suspected figure concerns
☐ Suspected misconduct or violation
☐ High textual similarity/plagiarism with other sources
☐ High textual similarity/plagiarism with own sources
☐ Problematic phrases
☐ Reference concerns
☐ Self citation
☐ Suspected citation manipulation
☐ Suspected machine generated content
☐ Concerns related to (lack of) supporting documentation on request
☐ Missing or inappropriate declarations statement
☒ **Flagged terms**
☐ Other ethical concerns
☐ Other research concerns

Void
☐ Duplicate submission
☐ Unreal submission
☐ Other void reasons

Sanction List is now 'Publisher Sanctions'

Black List is now 'Ban List'

Reviewer Activity Report

Reviewer: Research Exchange Reviewer Email: researchexchangetraining+reviewer@wiley.com Affiliation: John Wiley & Sons (United Kingdom), Chichester

PUBLISHER SANCTIONS DETAILS BAD DEBT, BAN LIST, WATCHLIST The reviewer is on publisher sanctions	OVERLAPPING REPORTS 12 5 unique reports out of 12	INVITATIONS AGREED 68% 297 out of 438 invitations
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Under Peer Review Cycle Checks, there is now an optional text box to add comments

Checks

Reviewer's identity confirmed and security level confirmed?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Any concerns raised by review reports and recommendations?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Your observations:

Is there a conflict of interest between the Editor and the author?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Your observations:

Is there a conflict of interest between the reviewers and the author?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Your observations:

Emails received from Editor require action?
☐ Yes ☒ No
Your observations:

Emails received from reviewers require action?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Your observations:

Editorial staff's communication is appropriate?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Your observations:

Other concerns on review process?
☒ Yes ☐ No
Your observations:

Has the identity of any reviewer been revealed to the authors during the peer review process?
☐ Yes ☒ No
Does this manuscript require the changes?
☐ Yes ☒ No

Has the author included an appropriate conflict of interest statement in the manuscript?
☒ Yes ☐ No

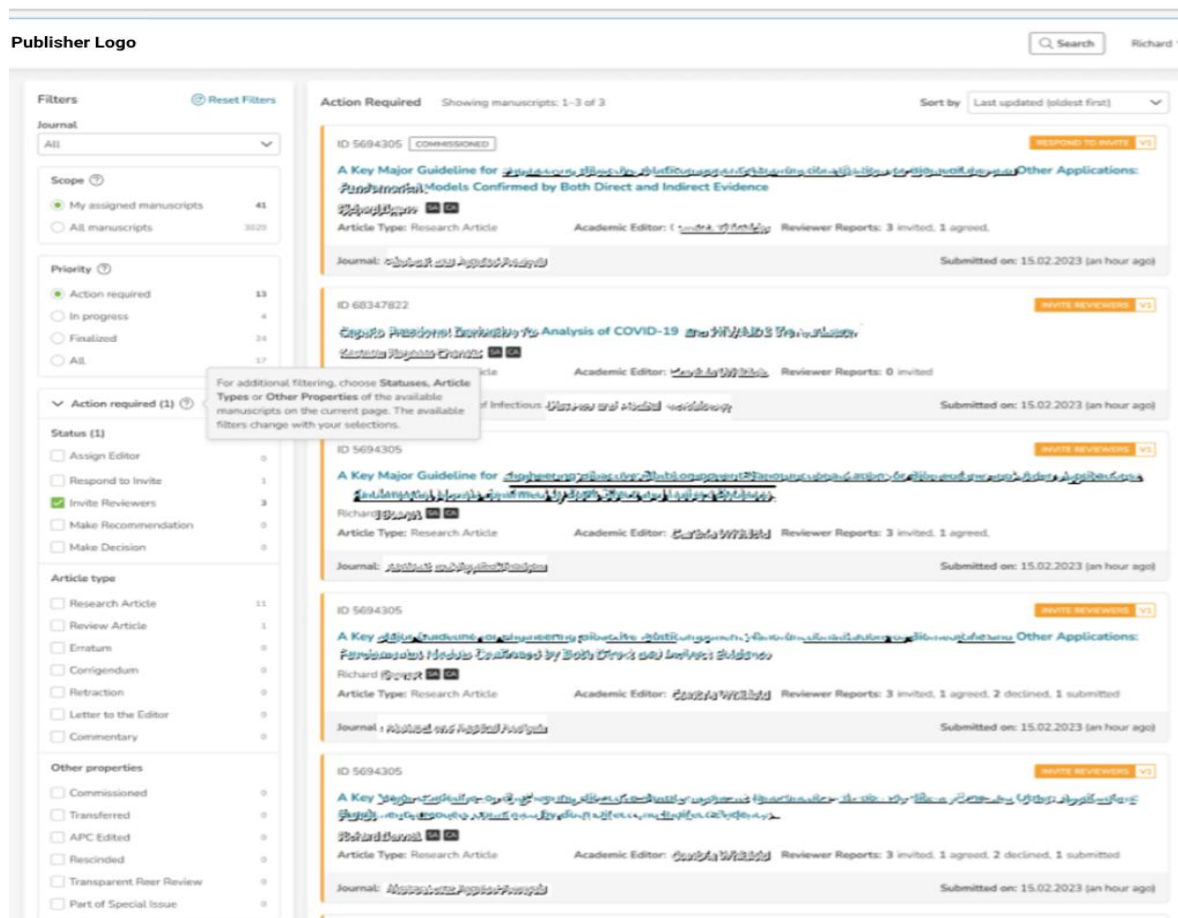
Feb-2026: Unified Dashboard for all Review users

Available from	25-February-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editorial Assistants (EAs), Journal Managers (JMs) (excludes Admin)
Overview	We are introducing a Unified Dashboard for all Review users, consolidating the existing dashboards into a single, streamlined interface. This update simplifies navigation, improves consistency in design, allows multiple roles to enjoy the same feature and reduces technical debt by removing legacy dashboard.

Key Features

- **Single Dashboard for All Roles**
All Review users (except Admins) now share a unified dashboard experience.
- **Expanded Scope Filter**
The Focus filter now includes all relevant user roles: Journal-wide (for Editors with full access editor [FAE] capabilities and Journal Managers), Editor (for all Editors), Editorial Assistant, Reviewer, and Legacy Authors
 - The Focus filter will be shown to users with multiple roles (for example, a user with regular Editor and FAE rights will see both "Editor" and "Journal-wide")
 - Users with single-role capabilities will not see this Focus filter, as they will only have one viewing experience.
- **Advanced Search Capabilities**
Users with Journal-wide or Editorial Assistant access can also search by:
 - Author email
 - Editor name or email
- **Role-Specific Filters**
EA/JM-specific filters (e.g., searching by Editor or Author) are integrated into the unified dashboard.

- Ability “Reset filter” individually or to reset all.
- Filters are now **nested in the following order**:
 - Journal
 - Focus
 - Author Search – by email address only
 - Editor Search – by name or email address
 - Status
 - Article Type
 - Other Properties
- Consistent design language applied across all Review roles for a cleaner, more intuitive experience.



Feb-2026: Display Screening Report results in Review for all versions

Available from	19-February-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening and Review
Impacted Roles	Editors, Admins, Editorial Assistants
Overview	Editors can now view screening results for every manuscript version , not just the initial submission. As screening checks are rerun during revisions—and new comments or similarity scores may be added—Review now surfaces version-specific results across the full submission lifecycle. This gives editors complete context at all stages of the editorial workflow and supports more informed decision-making.

Key Features

Version-Specific Screening Reports

- The Screening Report section now displays results for whichever manuscript version the user is viewing.
- Results include:
 - iThenticate Similarity Score
 - Scope Match results
 - Screening comments (including comments to publisher)
- Formatting and layout match the existing version-1 experience.

Accurate Display of Screening Data

- Screening data is now saved for every version that undergoes screening, triggered by RevisionChecksPassed events.
- Comments, similarity results, and scope outcomes always correspond to the correct manuscript version.

Correct Handling of Versions With No Screening

- If screening was not run on a version (e.g., screening disabled for revisions), the Screening Report section displays a version-appropriate “No results available” message.

Updated iThenticate Disclosure Text

- The Similarity Score section now uses updated explanatory text:

“Similarity scores are powered by iThenticate, which compares the manuscript text against published works. A high score could indicate plagiarism.”

- The section is collapsed by default for cleaner review.

User Interface Updates

Clear Version-Specific Display

- The Screening Report section dynamically updates based on the version selector.
Editors immediately see screening information tied to the version they are viewing.

Consistent Section Behavior

- The Screening Report UI uses the same layout and organization as version 1 for all subsequent versions, ensuring a consistent reading experience.

Visibility Logic

- If a version has no screening results, the UI clearly displays the “no results available” message rather than showing empty placeholders.
- If a version has screening data, all relevant subsections—Similarity Score, Scope Match, Screening Comments—appear exactly as in version 1.

Updated iThenticate Information Panel

- The iThenticate help text has been refreshed and placed beneath the Similarity Score.
- This panel is now collapsed by default, reducing visual clutter and letting editors expand it only when needed.

Accurate Comments Display

- Editors now see screening comments from the correct version, ensuring no cross-version confusion in the comments list.

Feb-2026: Editorial Conversation Tool, Phase 2.2.1 - Display of conversation participants, some tagging capabilities

Available from	19-February-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editorial Assistants (EAs), Journal Managers (JMs) (excludes Admin)
Overview	Assigned editors or editorial board members with observing or full editor access, as well as Editorial Assistants and Journal Managers, can now tag with an @mention each other in a comment on a manuscript and can see who has access to the manuscript.

Key Features

Conversation Tool Enhancements

- Editors can see who has access to the comments, for added transparency
 - They can view who has a role on the manuscript, or can view the manuscript

Editors can tag other users in comments

- Using the @ symbol to tag specific members of the editorial board
- Who can be tagged following release 2.2.1?
 - Other editors with a role assigned on the manuscript
 - Editors on the journal board with Full Access Editor permissions (either actioning taking or observational FAEs)
 - EA
 - JM
- Editors on the journal board who are not assigned on the manuscript and do not have Full Access Editor permissions **cannot** be tagged in this release, see 'Not in this Release' section below

Tagged users will:

- Be notified via email when they have been tagged

- See a red dot counter on manuscripts with un-read comments
- New messages will appear with blue shading to signify the new comments from the older comments
- If a new comment is made while using the application, a toast message will appear

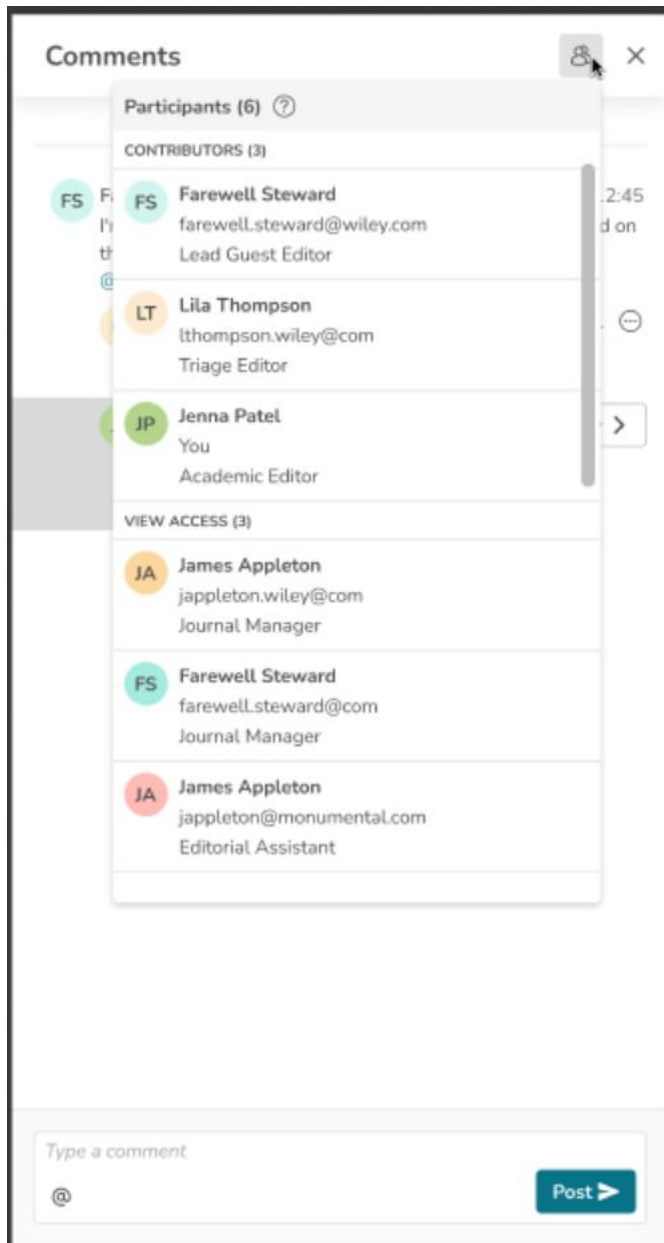
All users who have access to the manuscript can now:

- View a list of users who have access to the manuscript and its comments.
- The list includes assigned and FAE editors, JM, and EA.
- Viewer roles (primarily our Editorial Systems Operations team) will be included but should not be engaged in Conversations.
- This list will NOT include potential responders not assigned to the manuscript (i.e., other Editorial Board members) who cannot be invited to a conversation with this release.

Comments Panel: Updated to show participants with access.

Once a participant with view access has started adding comments to the conversation they are moved to the contributor list

- Members are shown in alphabetical order
- Instead of the email address of the user who is logged in, they are shown the label "You"



Tagging UI: Responsive dropdown for tagging editorial board members.

Comments

VERSION 1 

FS

Farewell Steward

TRIAGE

Jun 16, 12:45

I'm ready to make a final decision on this manuscript. Based on the reviews and our discussions, I'm inclined to accept it.
[@Janet Jackson](#), do you concur?

LT

Lila Thompson

Jun 27, 12:31

Reviewers mentioned that the issues were fixed in version 2.

JP

Add a reply here.

Reply >

Type or select someone to mention

 Mentioning someone who isn't already a participant will give them rights to add comments and view manuscript details.

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Dashboard: New section for “Manuscripts Requiring My Input.”

Notifications:

Comments Notification Rules				
Journal Role	Manuscript Role	New Comment	Reply on user's comment	Reply on another user's comment
Editor	Assigned	Email Toast Bubble	Email Toast Bubble	Bubble
Editor	Tagged	Bubble	Email Bubble	Bubble
Editor	Observing permissions	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble
EA/JM /Admin	None	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble

Feb-2026: Unified Dashboard for all Review Users

Available from	18-February-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editorial Assistants (EAs), Journal Managers (JMs) (excludes Admin)
Overview	We are introducing a Unified Dashboard for all Review users, consolidating the existing dashboards into a single, streamlined interface. This update simplifies navigation, improves consistency in design, allows multiple roles to enjoy the same feature and reduces technical debt by removing legacy dashboards.

Key Features

- Single Dashboard for All Roles
- All Review users (except Admins) now share a unified dashboard experience.

Expanded Scope Filter

- The Focus filter now includes all relevant user roles: Journal-wide (for Editors with full access editor [FAE] capabilities and Journal Managers), Editor (for all Editors), Editorial Assistant, Reviewer, and Legacy Authors
- The Focus filter will be shown to users with multiple roles (for example, a user with regular Editor and FAE rights will see both "Editor" and "Journal-wide")
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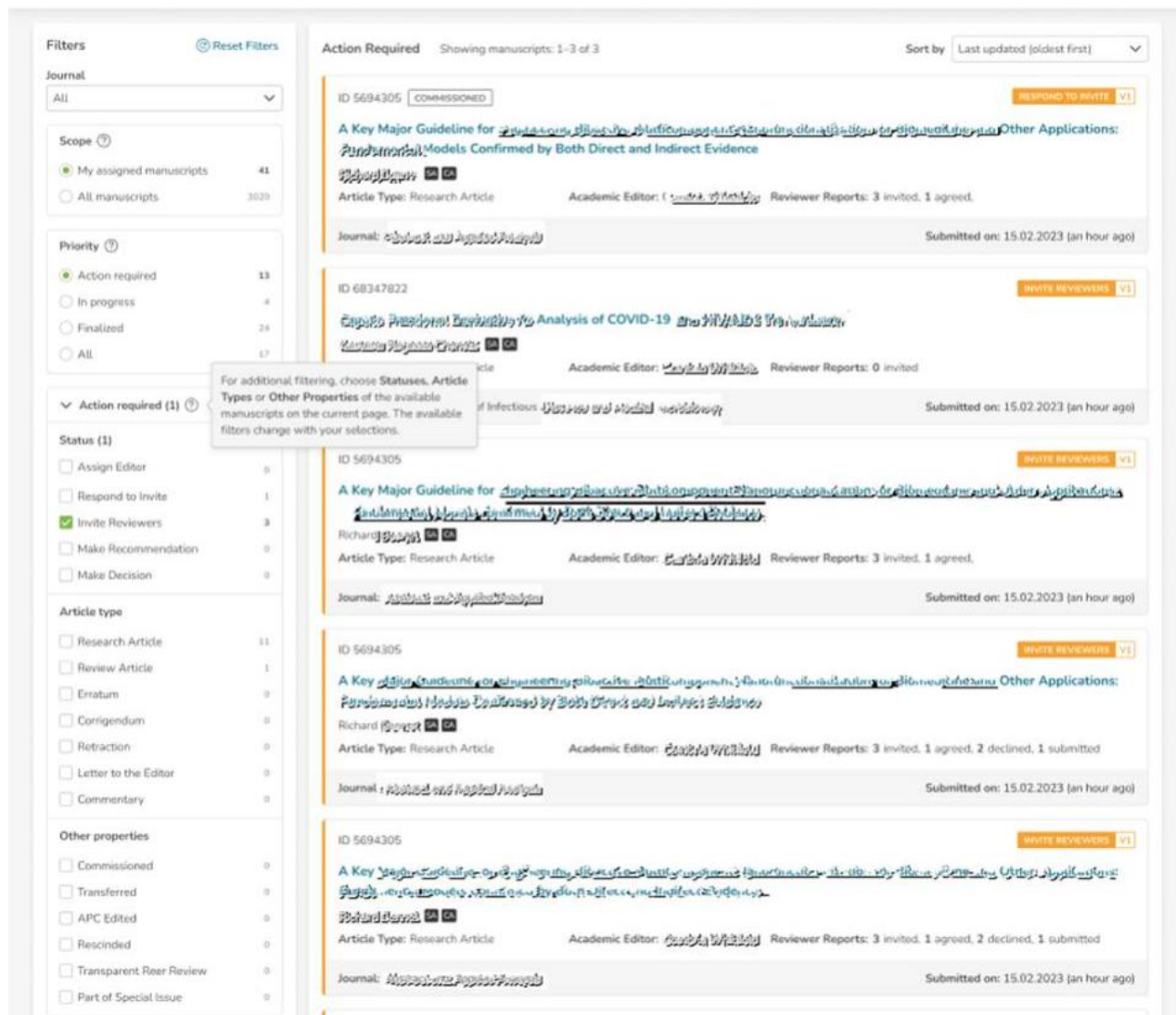
Advanced Search Capabilities

Users with Journal-wide or Editorial Assistant access can also search by:

- Author email
- Editor name or email
- Role-Specific Filters
EA/JM-specific filters (e.g., searching by Editor or Author) are integrated into the unified dashboard.
- Ability "Reset filter" individually or to reset all.

Filters are now nested in the following order:

- Journal
- Focus
- Author Search – by email address only
- Editor Search – by name or email address
- Status
- Article Type
- Other Properties
- Consistent design language applied across all Review roles for a cleaner, more intuitive experience.



Feb-2026: User Interface Update | Special Issue Filter

Available from	18-February-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review

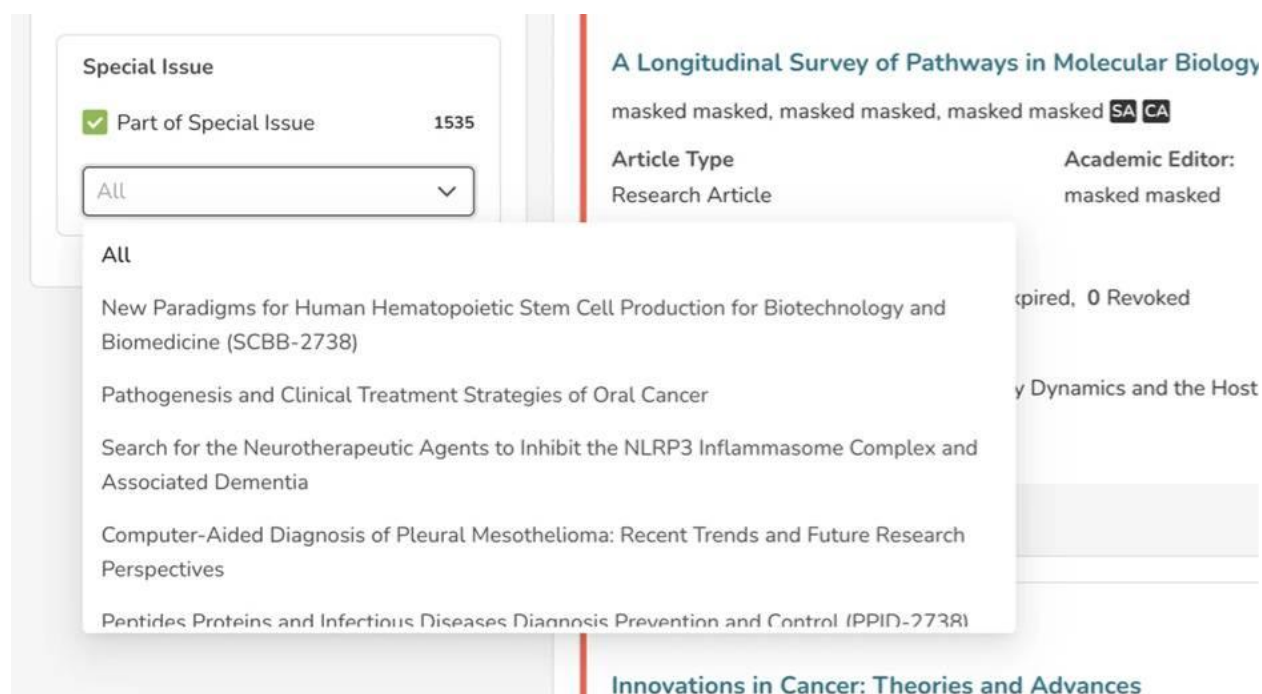
Special Issue is now its own filter category on the Unified Dashboard (live with Editor view now, other roles to following during rollout of unified dashboard in coming weeks [end-Feb 2026]).

- 'Special Issue' option is no longer included in the *Other Properties* filter options

- The Special Issue filter can't be used on the *Journal > all* selection
 - Specific journal must be chosen, and that specific journal must have open Special Issues for the filter to work.

The Special Issue search filter is currently active on the editor dashboard and is available to editors with both observing and full access capability. This will also be added to Unified Dashboard and visible to all Research Exchange users (except for Authors).

- **Current behavior:** Full Access Editors who are assigned to only a single journal cannot view Special Issue titles on the 'All' Journal selection; they must navigate to the Journal first, to use the Special Issue filter.
- **Planned improvement:** Users with access to multiple journals will continue to see the **"All"** option, while users with access to only one journal will automatically default to that journal.



Feb-2026: Configurable Workload Capacity for Screening Teams

Available from	17-February-2026
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Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Lead Screeners, Lead Specialists, Admins
Overview	This release introduces a capacity management system that enables Lead Screeners, Lead Specialists, and Admins to set individual workload capacity values ("Workload Share") for team members, allowing the manuscript assignment algorithm to distribute work proportionally based on actual availability and capacity rather than assuming equal distribution. Team leads can view capacity information in the User Management table, adjust individual capacity values using simple increment/decrement controls (range 0-99, default 5), and see visual indicators when users are unavailable (capacity = 0). The assignment algorithm considers each user's capacity relative to their current workload, assigning manuscripts to users with lower workload-to-capacity ratios before those who are more heavily loaded. When all users are at or over capacity, assignments are distributed proportionally based on capacity levels. Changes to capacity take effect immediately for the next manuscript assignment. Users with capacity set to 0 never receive new assignments, though their existing assigned manuscripts remain with them until manually reassigned. Role-based access ensures Lead Screeners can only edit Checker capacity; Lead Specialists can only edit Specialist capacity, and Admins have full access to all capacity settings.

Key Features

Workload Share

- Capacity Editing Controls
- Simple +/- buttons for increment/decrement (1 unit per click)
- Valid range: 0 (unavailable) to 99 (maximum capacity)

Workload-Aware Assignment

- Assignment algorithm calculates workload-to-capacity ratio for each eligible user (see [Workload Share Examples](#) for more information)
- Manuscripts assigned to users with lowest stress ratio (current workload / capacity)
- Proportional distribution when all users at/over capacity
- Capacity 0 users excluded from automatic assignment
- Existing manuscripts NOT automatically reassigned when capacity changes to 0
- Changes effective immediately on next assignment event

Access Control

- Lead Screeners: View Users tab, edit Checker capacity only
- Lead Specialists: View Users tab, edit Specialist capacity only
- Admins: View Users tab, edit all Screener and Specialist capacity
- Checkers/Specialists: No access to Users tab or capacity editing

User Interface Updates

Workload Share

- New "Workload share" column appears after "Teams & Roles" in the Users table
- Workload share values remain visible when navigating between pages, searching, or filtering users
- Screeners and Specialists show their workload share as a number (new users show 5 by default)
- Users who are not Screeners or Specialists show "N/A" or "Not applicable" in grey text
- Immediate save confirmation with error handling for invalid values
- Failed saves revert to previous value to maintain clarity on active settings
- Question mark icon with tooltip explaining workload share

Workload Share Column

Manuscripts Archived Manuscripts User Management Settings	Users Teams			
	Team Thunderbolts [SL]			Search
	Full name	Email address	Role & team	Workload share ?
	Steven Murphy	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SL]	5
	Marcus Rodriguez	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	Edit workload share
	Amelia Turner	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Olivia Foster	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Ethan Hayes	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Benjamin Patel	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Jackson Nguyen	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Sophia Reynolds	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Liam Campbell	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5
	Nathan Wright	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5
	Mason Thompson	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5
	Landon Baker	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5
	Ava Mitchell	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5
	Sophia Maccmanan	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5
	Steven King	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5

Edit Workload Share

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	Team Thunderbolts [SL]			Search
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	Marcus Rodriguez	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5 Save Cancel
	Amelia Turner	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	12
	Olivia Foster	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Ethan Hayes	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Benjamin Patel	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Jackson Nguyen	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
	Sophia Reynolds	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
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	Ava Mitchell	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	5

Users not applicable for Workload Share

Search by name, email or team Search			
Full name	Email address	Role & team	Workload share ?
Stephan the Great	email.address@wiley.com	Image Screening Team [LS]	N/A
Marcus Rodriguez	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
Amelia Turner	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	0 • On hold 
Olivia Foster	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
Ethan Hayes	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5
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Steven King	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [QC]	0 • On hold

Error state

Marcus Rodriguez	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	5		
Amelia Turner	email.address@wiley.com	Team Thunderbolts [SC]	12  		

Hover over Workload Share tooltip

Workload share

Workload share determines how manuscripts are distributed across a team. How assignment works:

How assignment works:

- Manuscripts are distributed proportionally based on each user's workload share relative to the team's total.
- Example: In a team where User A has share 10 and User B has share 5, User A receives twice as many manuscripts as User B (e.g., 20 vs 10 out of 30 total manuscripts).
- Workload share only determines proportion, not a maximum, users may receive more manuscripts than their share value.
- Default share = 5 for new users.
- Share 0 = on hold (no new assignments, but manuscripts already assigned to them, returned to author or returned to peer review will be reassigned back to the original user).
- N/A = role doesn't receive manuscript assignments

Workload Share Examples

Example team:

- Screener A: capacity = 2 (part-time, can handle 2 manuscripts comfortably)
- Screener B: capacity = 8 (full-time, experienced)
- Screener C: capacity = 10 (full-time, very experienced)

First 10 manuscripts:

1. Goes to C ($0/10 = 0\%$)
2. Goes to B ($0/8 = 0\%$)
3. Goes to A ($0/2 = 0\%$)
4. Goes to C ($1/10 = 10\%$ - lowest)

5. Goes to B ($1/8 = 12.5\%$ - lowest)
6. Goes to C ($2/10 = 20\%$)
7. Goes to B ($2/8 = 25\%$)
8. Goes to C ($3/10 = 30\%$)
9. Goes to B ($3/8 = 37.5\%$)
10. Goes to C ($4/10 = 40\%$)

After everyone hits 100% capacity, manuscripts continue at those proportions
 Special case - Capacity = 0: If you set someone to 0 (on leave, sick, unavailable), they get zero new manuscripts. But their existing work stays with them unless someone manually reassigns it

Feb-2026: Allow Editors to Change Issue Type at Acceptance

Available from	5-February-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	This release introduces a complete workflow that enables decision-making editors to change the publication issue of an article at the point of acceptance, communicates the change to authors, and delivers the change information to production in a structured manner that supports automatic, secure processing through to successful publication in the desired issue. This is an alternative solution to the current inability of authors to change the issue type at revision. Editors can select between Regular Issue and Special Issue, choose a new open special issue published by the journal when relevant, and have any change safeguarded by a confirmation modal that flags whether a change has been made compared with the original issue selected and saved at submission. The editor accepting the paper for publication in a different issue must obtain the agreement of the editors responsible for

the new host issue before submitting the decision with the change.

The new publication issue, along with the reason for the change, is communicated to authors via the Acceptance Decision Letter.

The system preserves issue change selections and text input until the decision letter is delivered (information is not lost at refresh or logout), manages edge-case scenarios (e.g., flagging the absence of active special issues), and transmits finalized changes to production systems via output metadata files containing structured data that can be automatically processed.

Key Features

1. Ability for Editors to Change Publication Issue at Acceptance

- Editors can opt to change the manuscript's publication issue when selecting the *Accept* decision.
- Rejection/revision decisions do not enable issue type changes.
- "Issue Type" options (Regular Issue / Special Issue) are displayed via radio buttons.

Supports switching between:

- Regular Issue → Special Issue
- Special Issue → Regular Issue
- Special Issue A → Special Issue B
- Conditional "New Issue Name" dropdown appears only when Special Issue is selected.

Dropdown includes:

- All *open* Special Issues (not *closed*, not *cancelled*)

2. Mandatory "Reason For Issue Change" text box

3. Intelligent Pre-selection & State Handling

- When the checkbox “Change the publication issue for this manuscript” is first selected, radio buttons are displayed in a preselected state reflecting the manuscript’s current issue type.
- If no active Special Issue exists:
 - Special Issue option is greyed out and disabled (explanatory text)
- Behavior remains consistent after Return to Peer Review from Quality Checks:
 - *Accept* decision option re-displays previously saved values, allowing modification.
 - *Reject & Revision* decisions discard any changes made to the publication issue.

4. Data Persistence

- System autosaves:
 - Issue Type selection
 - New Special Issue Name
 - Reason for issue change
- Persisted across navigation or incomplete workflows.
- Reason text is preserved even when switching between options.

5. Mandatory confirmation checkbox that the editors responsible for the new host issue agreed to the changes

6. Confirmation Modal Before Email Preview

- Appears when:
 - “Change publication issue” is checked, AND
 - Editor clicks “Preview Decision Email”
- Two modal variants:
 - A. No actual change detected (but reason entered): Warns editor that no issue change has been made and reason will be discarded if they submit the decision.

- B. Issue change detected: Informs editor that changes were made and provides the opportunity to verify accuracy and confirm before proceeding to submit the decision.

7. Updated Acceptance Decision Letter Emails

- Whenever the issue type is changed by the editor at acceptance, the Decision Letter will include that information to inform and confirm the change with the authors.
 - publication issue is not changed → no extra information is added to the default content of the decision letter
 - Special → Regular:

"Your paper will be published in a Regular Issue of the journal.

The reason for changing the issue is as follows:

<<editor-entered reason>>"

- Regular → Special, OR
- Special Issue A → Special Issue B

"Your paper will be published in the special issue <<special issue name>>.

The reason for changing the issue is as follows:

<<editor-entered reason>>"

- This text is editable in the preview and may be amended to refine the message delivered to authors.

8. Data Transfer to Production Systems

- After the decision to accept the manuscript for publication has been submitted, changes are sent downstream to production only once the **Material Checks** stage has been completed and all required manuscript files have been provided by the authors in accordance with production requirements.
- The service that handles the export to production has been updated to:
 - Save the new publication issue details + Reason for issue change
 - Deliver the change information to production in a structured manner that supports automatic processing

User Interface Updates

- New checkbox: “Change the publication issue for this manuscript”.

Decision * ?

Accept

Best practice is to accept a paper with a minimum of 2 unique reviewers (Wiley Code of Conduct)

☒ Change the publication issue for this manuscript

Issue Type *

☒ Special Issue

☐ Regular Issue

New Issue Name *

test status

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autoUSIP20250512

Lead Guest Editor

test status

test error logs

test special issue 2

Disabled/greyed-out SI option when no active SIs exist.

☒ Change the publication issue for this manuscript

 Please communicate your decision to the editor responsible for the new issue.

Issue Type *

☐ Special Issue (no active special issues at this time)

☒ Regular Issue

Mandatory Reason text area with autosave behavior.

☒ Change the publication issue for this manuscript

 Please communicate your decision to the editor responsible for the new issue.

Issue Type *

☒ Special Issue

☐ Regular Issue

New Issue Name *

Special Issue 1 Test 2026

Reason For Issue Change *

The paper is highly in scope for the special issue and will deliver value to this collection and to the collective efforts of researchers working in this niche domain.

- *Mandatory confirmation checkbox (warning message displayed in red if Editor clicks "Preview Decision Email" without confirmation).*

☒ I confirm that I have spoken to the editor responsible for the new issue before accepting this manuscript *

Preview Decision Email

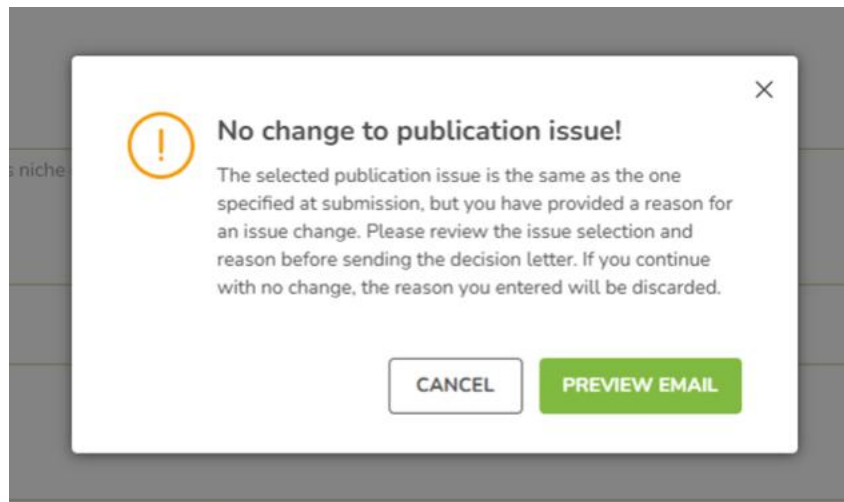
☐ I confirm that I have spoken to the editor responsible for the new issue before accepting this manuscript *

You must confirm that you have spoken to the new issue editor-in-chief before accepting this manuscript

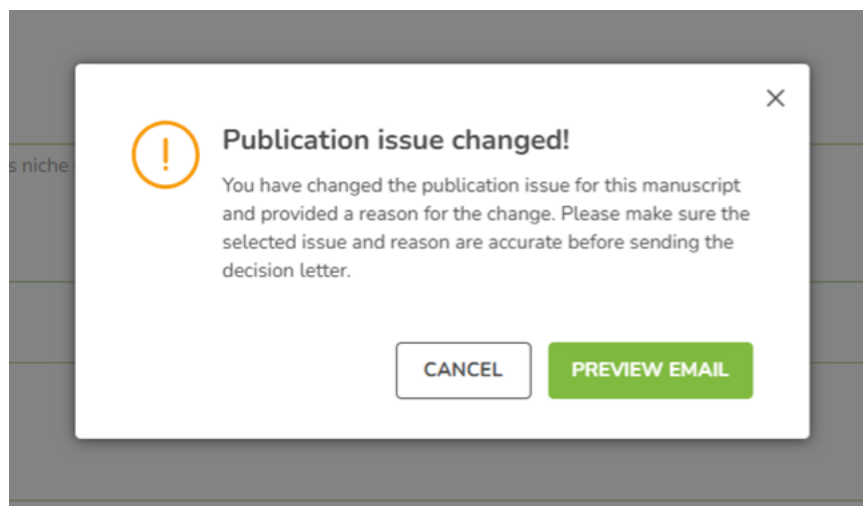
Preview Decision Email

Confirmation modal shown prior to previewing the decision email.

- No issue change detected (but reason entered)



- Issue change detected (but reason entered)



- Acceptance Decision Letter email now displays structured, styled reason text when applicable.

- *New publication issue is a special issue*

Dear Dr. Jane Doe,

We are delighted to inform you that your manuscript "Test article title" has been accepted for publication in Test Journal A.

Your paper will be published in the special issue Test Special Issue 1 2026. The reason for changing the issue is as follows:

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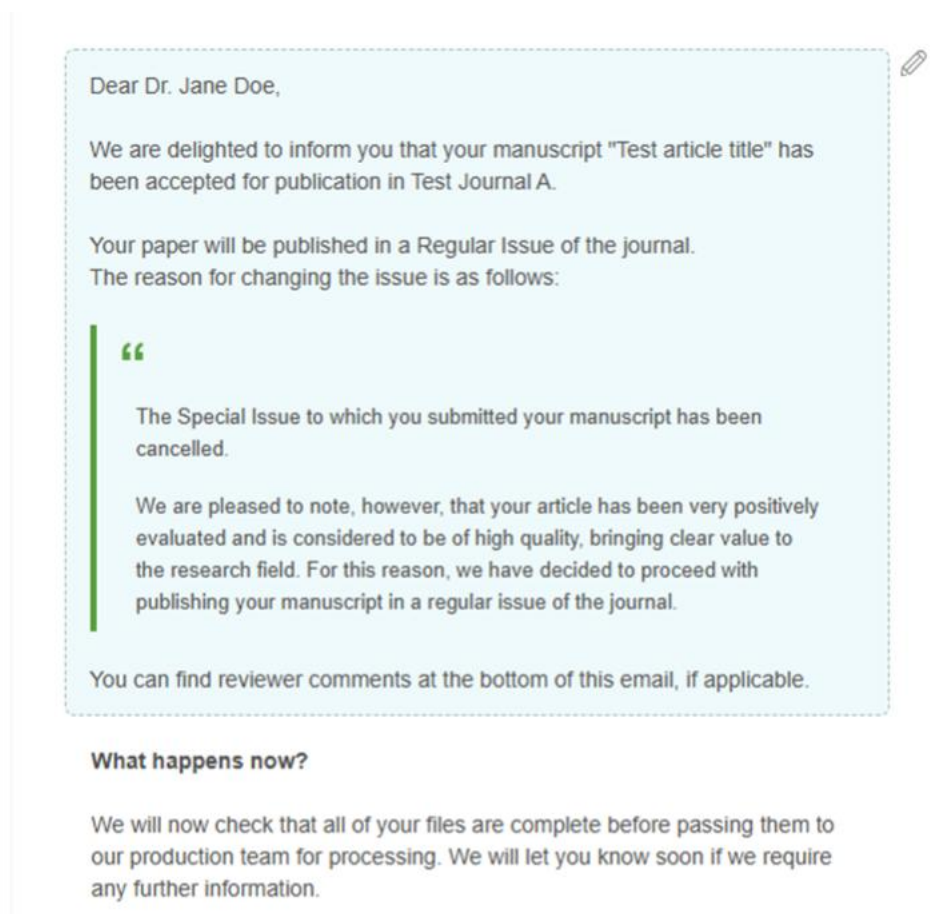
The paper is highly in scope for the special issue and will deliver value to this collection and to the collective efforts of researchers working in this niche domain.

You can find reviewer comments at the bottom of this email, if applicable.

What happens now?

We will now check that all of your files are complete before passing them to our production team for processing. We will let you know soon if we require any further information.

- *New publication issue is a regular issue*



- the feature that enables authors to change the issue type/ special issue when submitting a revision will be implemented.
- The changes made in Research Exchange Review and propagated downstream to the Production systems are not in sync with the Reporting system.

Jan-2026: Improvements to Editor Assignment Flexibility for Special Issues

Available from	27-January-2026
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review

Impacted Roles	Special Issue Lead Guest Editors, Guest Editors, Editorial Assistants, Journal Managers, Full Access Capability
Overview	This release introduces enhancements to the editor-assignment workflow leveraging the PKG-based algorithm. The improvements ensure that Special Issue (SI) editors are consistently represented in PKG service events, editor suggestions become more relevant and precise, and Editorial Board roles can be surfaced with greater flexibility. These changes collectively enhance accuracy, transparency, and usability for editorial staff assigning editors to manuscripts.

Key Features

1. Inclusion of SI Editors in PKG Events

SI editors are now included when events are sent to the PKG service. This ensures that PKG receives the complete editorial board context.

2. SI-Specific Editor Suggestions

When a manuscript belongs to a Special Issue, the editor suggestion panel now displays recommendations *only* from that SI's designated editor pool.

Benefits include:

- More relevant and contextually appropriate suggestions.
- Faster, more accurate editor assignment.

3. Editorial Board Assignment Flexibility

Users have the option to view **non-responsible roles** within the editor suggestions panel by toggling off "Show all editorial board members".

This provides:

- Increased flexibility when selecting editors beyond the primary responsible role.
- Better visibility into the full breadth of editorial expertise.

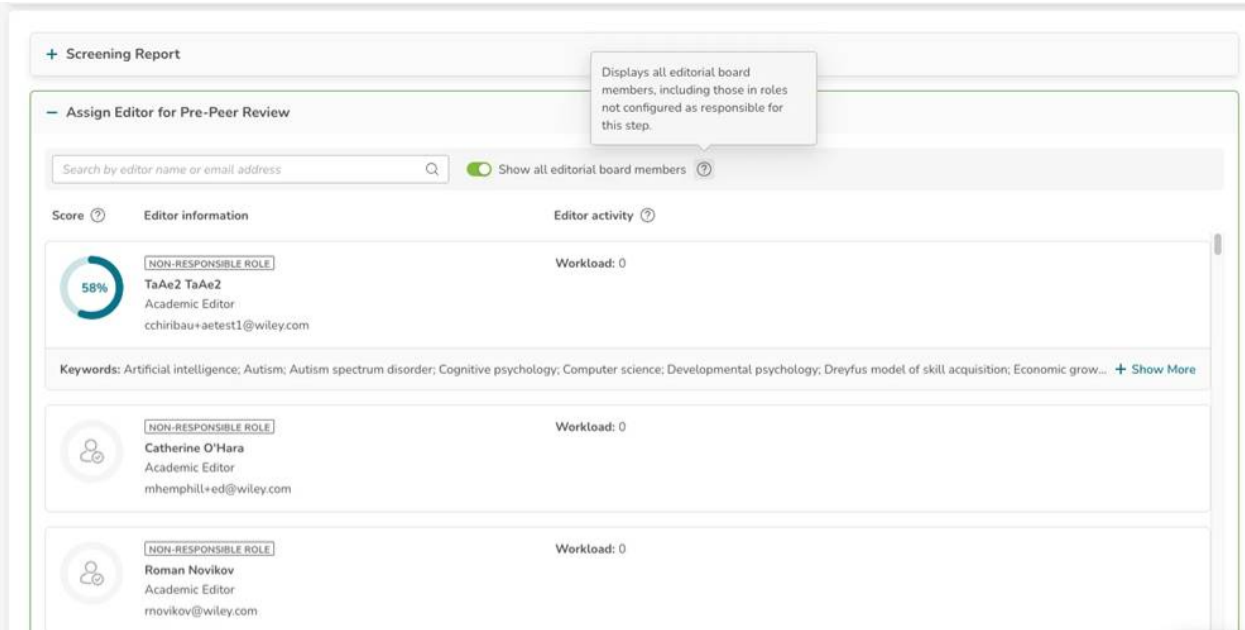
4. SI Editor Query by External ID

Systems can now query SI editors using an SI's **external ID**, improving:

- Reliability and consistency across integrated systems.
- Ability to support external or partner workflows referencing SI metadata.

UI Updates

- *A new toggle allows users to optionally show **non-responsible roles** within the editor suggestions panel by toggling off “Show all editorial board members”.*



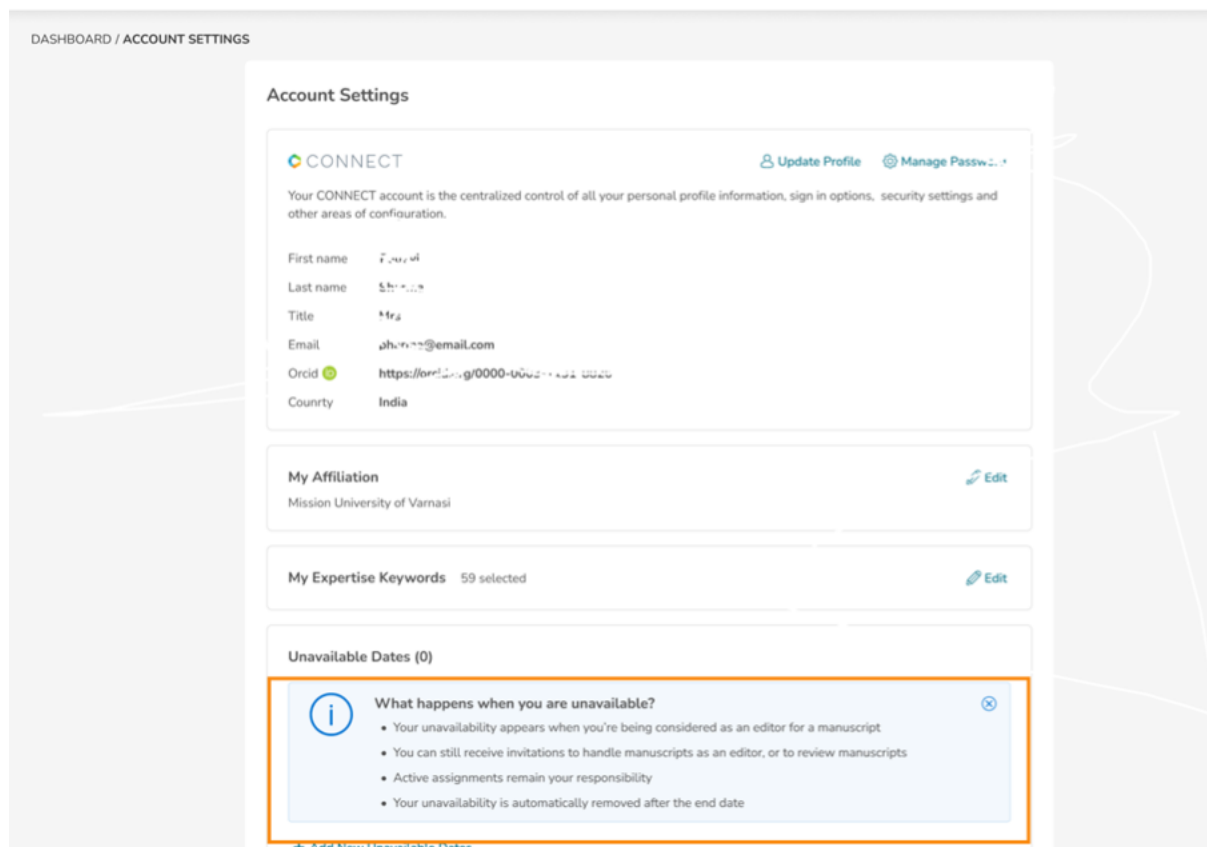
Dec-2025: Editors can record their availability in app

Available from	18-December-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors, Editorial Assistants, Journal Managers
Overview	Editors can now record their availability in the application to manage out-of-office periods and prevent automatic manuscript assignments during their absence. OOO dates are visible to colleagues—including other editors, Journal Managers, and Editorial Assistants—enabling informed assignment decisions across the team.

Key Features

- Set Out-of-Office Dates: Editors who are journal board members can schedule multiple OOO periods in the Account Settings page available under "My Profile"
- Visibility of Availability: OOO status is displayed to relevant roles (pre-peer-review editors, editors with Full Access, JMs, EAs, and admins) in the Review application.
- Assignment Logic Update: Review will not automatically assign manuscripts to editors marked as OOO unless they are the only suggested editor.

Profile Page: Editors can set and manage OOO dates from the "My Profile" section within Review



Modal is open by default. If it is closed, it can be re-opened by clicking "Add New Unavailable Dates"

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Add unavailable dates

You'll automatically appear as "unavailable soon" to other editors starting 3 days before your unavailability begins.

Start Date *

End Date *

YYYY-MM-DD

→

YYYY-MM-DD

Comments

e.g. Annual conference, Sabbatical, Field research etc.

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Comments are visible to editors.

DISCARD

ADD UNAVAILABLE DATES

Dates entered

Red dot indicates Editor is currently unavailable

Unavailable Dates (2)

ⓘ About Unavailable Dates

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Jun 06, 2025 - Jun 13, 2025 (8 days)

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Dec 24, 2025 - Jan 03, 2026 (11 days)

Comments

Annual conference in Boston

No dates entered

DASHBOARD / ACCOUNT SETTINGS

Account Settings

 [Update Profile](#) [Manage Password](#)

Your CONNECT account is the centralized control of all your personal profile information, sign in options, security settings and other areas of configuration.

First name	Pharm
Last name	Chandra
Title	Mrs
Email	pharm@connect.com
Orcid	 https://orcid.org/0009-0007-1171-0576
Country	India

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Notification Settings >

Choose which emails you want to receive.

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Comments

Annual conference in Boston

Assignment Screens

Availability indicator appears in Article details page

Invite Editor for Peer Review

Search by Editor name or email address ☒ Show all editorial board members [?](#) [Assign Myself As Handling Editor](#)

Score ?	Editor information	Editor activity ?
83% CONFLICT OF INTEREST	 Academic Editor	Workload: 2 Pending invitations: 0
Keywords: Oxidative damage; Apoptosis; Oxidative stress; Reactive oxygen species; Cell biology; Endocrinology; Cell physiology; Cholesterol; Kidney disease; Environmental health; Cancer; + Show More		
Unavailable in 2 days. Nov 27, 2025 – Jan 05, 2026 View Details		
44%	 Deputy Editor	Workload: 1 Pending invitations: 5
Keywords: Oxidative damage; Apoptosis; Oxidative stress; Reactive oxygen species; Cell biology; Endocrinology; Cell physiology; Cholesterol; + Show More		
Unavailable for the next 2 days. Nov 25 – Nov 27, 2025 View Details		
43%	 The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong	Workload: 0 Pending invitations: 8
Keywords: Oxidative damage; Apoptosis; Oxidative stress; Reactive oxygen species; Cell biology; Endocrinology; Cell physiology; Cholesterol; + Show More		
39%	 Deputy Editor	Workload: 0 Pending invitations: 8
Keywords: Oxidative damage; Apoptosis; Oxidative stress; Reactive oxygen species; Cell biology; Endocrinology; Cell physiology; Cholesterol; Kidney disease; Environmental health; Cancer; + Show More		

Unavailable dates details

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44%
 Deputy Editor

Nov 27, 2025 – Jan 05, 2026
 Personal leave. Thank you for your patience!
 [+ Show More Dates](#)

Workload: 1
 Pending invitations: 5

Keywords: Oxidative damage; Apoptosis; Oxidative stress; Reactive oxygen species; Cell biology; Endocrinology; Cell physiology; Cholesterol; [+ Show More](#)

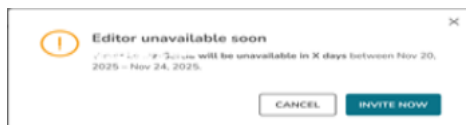
When editor is close to unavailable period or is unavailable currently, system will display warning message

Editor currently unavailable

Editor is unavailable for the next X days between Nov 20, 2025 – Nov 24, 2025.

They might not see your invitation until they return, which could delay your review timeline.

[CANCEL](#) [INVITE NOW](#)



Dec-2025: Implement Role-Based Escalation Filters

Available from	8-December-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Lead screeners, lead specialists, viewers and admin users
Overview	This release introduces a new Manuscript Escalation Management feature designed to give lead screeners, lead specialists, viewers and admin users dynamic visibility into workload distribution across teams and individuals. The goal is to enable informed decisions on work redistribution and identify performance patterns under different manuscript conditions.

Key Features

- Role-Based Access Control

Admin and Lead Screener users: Full visibility of the Manuscript Escalation section (except "Myself" option).

- Dropdown options: All, Specialists, Lead Screeners.

Lead Specialist users: Limited visibility.

- Dropdown options: Myself, Specialists.

Team and Individual Workload Visibility

- Filter submissions by assignment teams and roles.
- Real-time counts for teams and individual specialists.
- Lead Specialists clearly marked with the 'LSP' abbreviation.
- Counts dynamically update based on manuscript conditions.

Contextual Escalation Distribution

- Filter escalation data by issue type, manuscript stage, assignment, and author response.
- OR-based status filtering for broader visibility.
- Dynamic count updates for intersections of multiple filters.

Filter Management

- Reset all escalation-related filters simultaneously or individually.
- Immediate visual feedback and real-time updates on filter changes.
- Added Manuscript Escalation section with:
 - Checkbox: Escalated manuscripts.
 - Dropdown: Escalated to (with counts)
- Behavior changes:
 - Selecting "All" hides team and specialist dropdowns.
 - Selecting "Specialists" shows team and specialist dropdowns.
 - Selecting "Lead Screeners" shows only team dropdown.
- *Sort by section moved to top-right of dashboard*
- **Total manuscript counter** moved to top-left of dashboard.

Manuscript Escalation filter added

Issue type

All

Manuscript stage

Submission checks

☐ Author responded 84

Manuscript assignment

Assignment status

All

Checker team

All

Checker

All

Manuscript escalation

☐ Escalated manuscripts 36

Submission checks

Processing

☐ Automatic checks 133

Work in progress

☐ New manuscript stage 3524

Pending response

☐ Returned to draft 110

☐ Paused 17

“Escalated To” Views

Issue type

All

Manuscript stage

All

☐ Author responded 0

Manuscript escalation Clear

☒ Escalated manuscripts 1

Escalated to

Myself

Issue type

All

Manuscript stage

All

☐ Author responded 0

Manuscript escalation Clear

☒ Escalated manuscripts 2

Escalated to

Specialists

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Specialist

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Issue type

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Specialists

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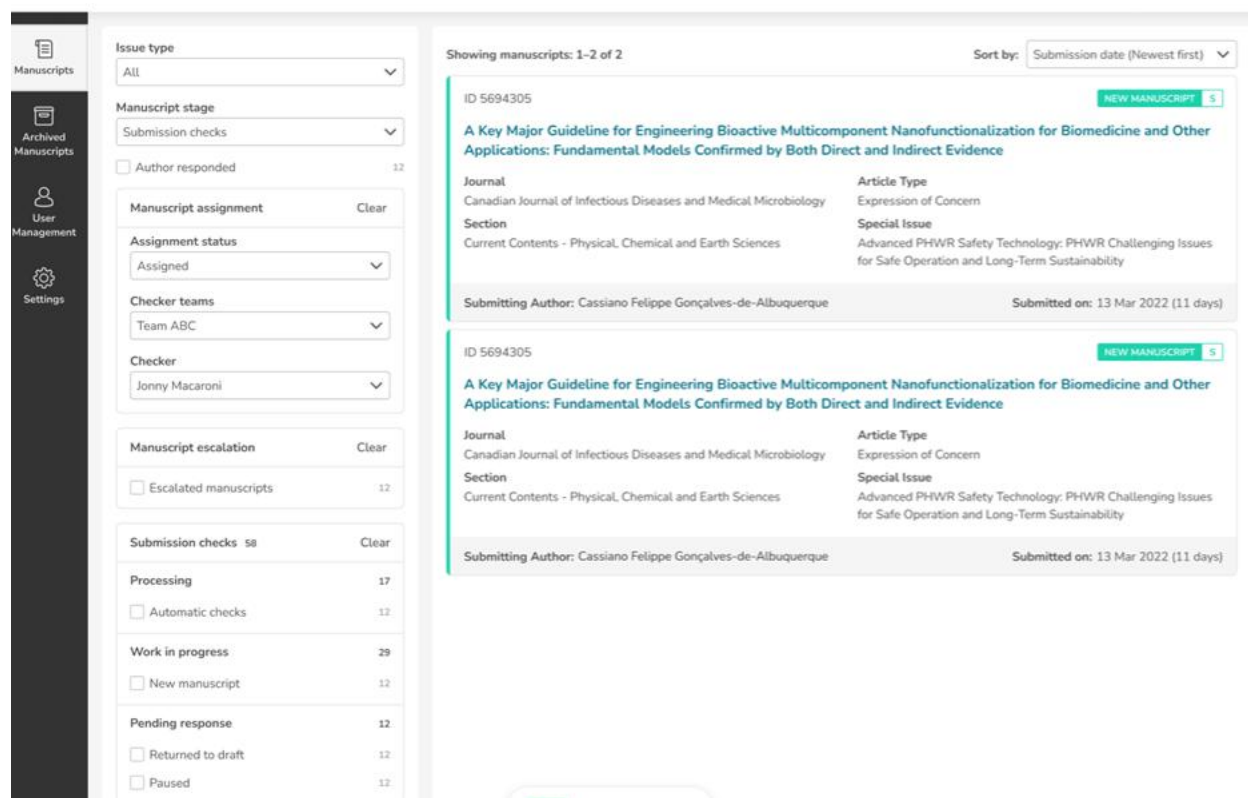
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Sort by section moved to top-right of dashboard



- Removed duplicate manuscript counters from status section to reduce clutter.

Dec-2025: Materials Check – Version History Enhancements

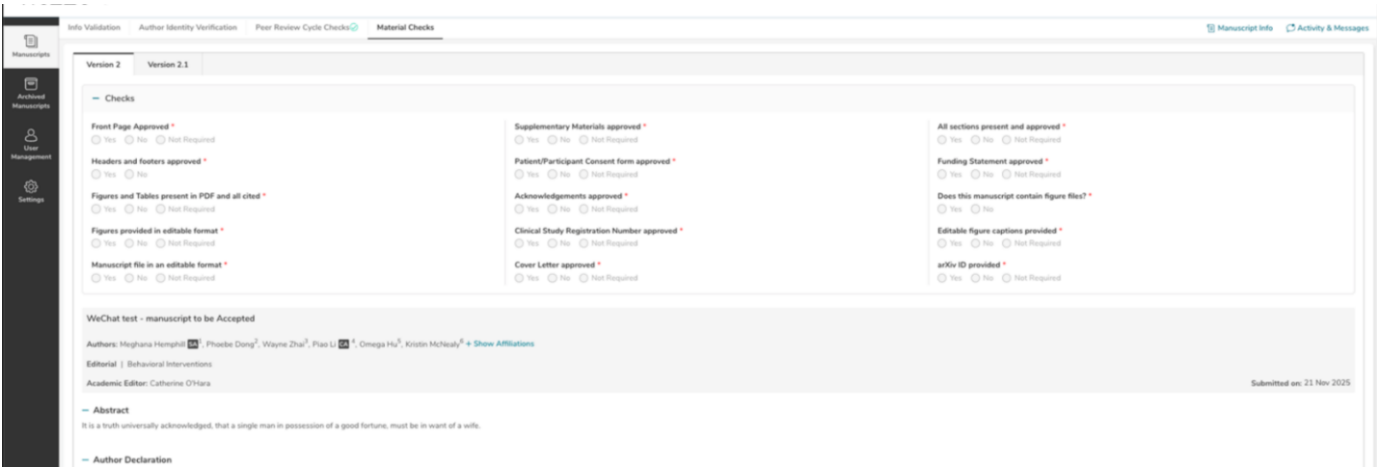
Available from	3-December-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Screening Users
Overview	When a manuscript enters the Materials Check flow with a new minor version (e.g., after a <i>Request Files</i> action), previously selected radio button answers will be displayed in the UI. This update improves clarity and traceability of requests for materials and versioning during that process.

Key Features

- When navigating to an **earlier minor version** within the Materials Check flow:
 - **Previously selected radio button answers** will now be visible.
 - Any **associated free-text responses** will also be displayed.
- All displayed inputs on previous versions are **read-only**:
 - Radio buttons and text fields are **disabled (greyed out)**.
 - No data can be edited when viewing a prior version.

This ensures full visibility of historical Materials Check decisions without risk of accidental changes.

User Interface Update

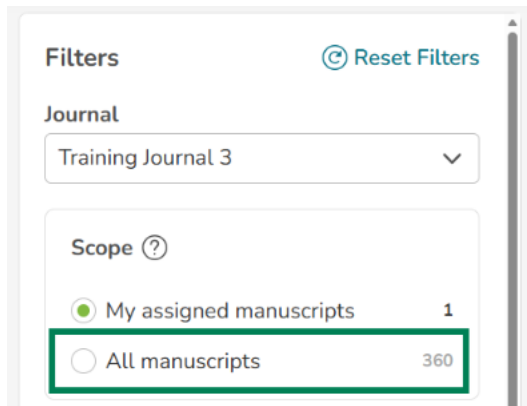


Dec-2025: Full Access Editor Capability

Available from	01-December-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Handling Editors/Chief Editors
Overview	This release provides a new capability available to Handling editors. When activated, editors with Full Access will have the authority to manage any manuscript at any stage of the

workflow. They will also be empowered to oversee submissions, make decisions, invite reviewers, and assign or reassign editors across all manuscripts within a journal.

Key Features



Once Full Access Editor capabilities are in place, editors will notice that all manuscripts appear in their dashboard and that a range of additional actions are available to them at the manuscript level.

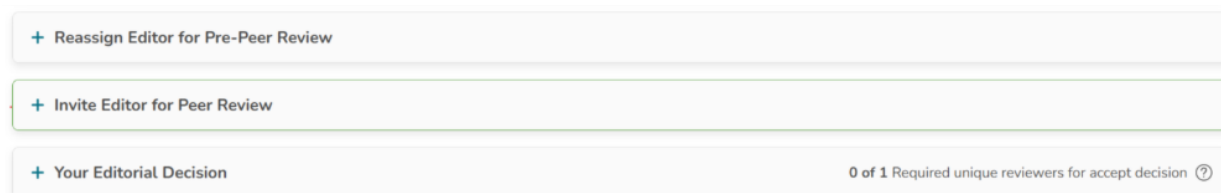
Full Access Editors **can**:

- View and can act upon any manuscript at any given stage of the workflow, including those they are not assigned to (except for their own authored manuscripts)
- Make decisions before and after peer review at each stage in the process
- Invite reviewers and manage reviewer assignments and deadlines
- Assign or reassign a new editor to the pre-peer review and peer review stages (providing their role on the editorial board aligns with the stage for that editorial model)
- Participate in manuscript conversations using the conversation tool
- View all actions taken in the activity log for transparency/traceability. Emails sent will be signed with the Full Access editor's name

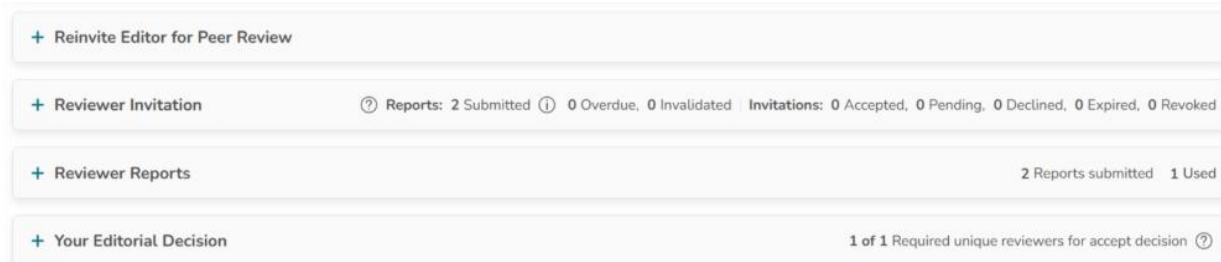
Full Access Editors **cannot**:

- Re-assign the manuscript to themselves at any point while the manuscript is in the Review module (this is in development for delivery at a later date).

Example of the Full Access editor capability to re-assign an Editor for the Pre-Peer Review stage, Invite an editor for the Peer Review stage, or make an immediate decision:



Example of the Full Access editor capability to re-invite an Editor for the Peer Review stage, Invite and manage reviewer reports, or make a decision after reports have been submitted:



By default, **users with the EiC/Chief/Handling Editor role and Observing capabilities will have Full Access Editor capabilities enabled.** Where appropriate, any Editor can be granted Full Access Editor capabilities upon request to their Publisher representative.

Limitations

- FAE is a set of capabilities added to an existing editorial role; FAE is not a stand-alone role
- Editors cannot hold both Observing and Full Access capabilities simultaneously (Full Access overrides Observing). Either style can be requested/removed upon request to your Publisher representative

- When Full Access Editor capabilities are removed, editors lose the ability to take further actions on manuscripts previously handled under FAE, but the historical activity remains logged.
- Post-peer review, Full Access Editors can make decisions only, not recommendations.
- Actions taken by the FAE on behalf of the assigned Editor do not trigger notifications to that Editor.

Nov-2025: Editorial Conversation Tool, Phase 2.1

Available from	25-November-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Admins, editorial assistants (EAs), journal managers (JMs), editors with Full Access Editor (FAE) capabilities
Overview	Journal staff with manuscript access, including editorial assistants, journal managers, and full access editors, can now participate in the Conversation Tool.

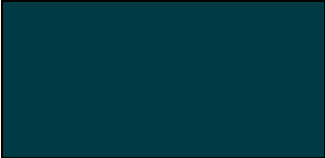
Key Features

Commenting Capabilities for Admin/JM, FAE, and EA

- Users with existing manuscript access can:
 - Create new comments on manuscripts
 - Reply to existing comments
 - Be notified via email of conversations in which they are participants

Nov-2025: Reviewer Role-Based Visibility Restrictions

Available from	11-November-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Reviewers
Overview	This release introduces targeted updates to the reviewer experience across both single and double anonymous workflows. The changes aim to reduce the risk of reviewers



being able to identify author and also streamline the reviewer interface by hiding information unnecessary to their review.

Key Features

Author Declaration Visibility Restrictions

- **Double Anonymous Reviewers** will no longer see responses to:
 - "Is this research supported by funding?"
 - "Do you or any of your co-authors have a conflict of interest to disclose?"
- **Single Anonymous Reviewers** retain access to this information to identify potential conflicts.
- The data availability statement remains to all Reviewers
- Emails are unaffected by this change

Hide Submission Questions

- For all peer review model types, all Submission Questions will be hidden from reviewers

Author Declarations Tab

- For double anonymous reviewers:
 - Funding and COI responses are hidden
- For single anonymous reviewers:
 - No change; full visibility retained.

DASHBOARD / ARTICLE DETAILS

ID 1056588

Emails check text

Ana P.  [Show Affiliations](#)

Article Type

Review Article

Journal

LUTS: Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms

Chief Editor: [Ting Ana TE](#)

Academic Editor: [Ana AE 2 Test](#)

> Abstract

▼ Author Declaration

 The submitter acknowledged all submission requirements.

Is this research supported by funding?

No funding was received for this manuscript

Informed Consent

No, there were no human subjects

Do you or any of your co-authors have a conflict of interest to disclose?

None of the authors have a conflict of interest to disclose

Is your data available?

Research data are not shared.

Animal Subjects

Animal Subjects: There were no animal subjects

Nov-2025: Queue Invited Reviewers (Pilot Journals Only)

Available from	24-November-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Handling Editors
Overview	This release introduces a streamlined reviewer invitation workflow for peer review management. Users can now queue selected reviewers in a prioritized order and invite only the required number of reviewers. If a reviewer declines or fails to respond within the designated timeframe, the system automatically sends an invitation to the next reviewer in the queue. This approach reduces unnecessary invitations, minimizes wasted reviewer effort, and helps shorten turnaround times.

Key Features

Reviewer Queue Management

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- Users can search for reviewers once, create a prioritized queue, and include the option to invite the required number of reviewers with or without customized messaging.

Automated Invitation Handling

When a reviewer declines or does not respond within the set timeframe of 7 days, the system automatically invites the next reviewer in the queue.

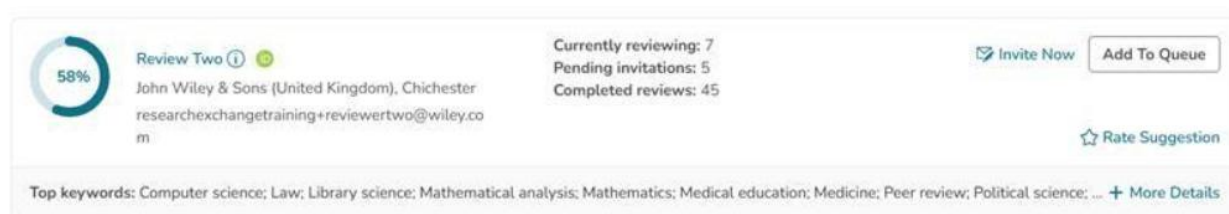
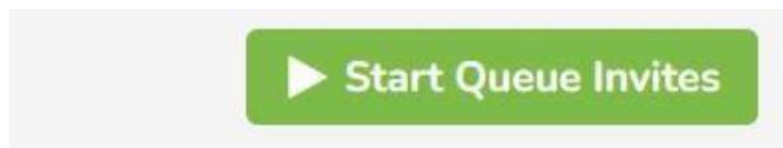
Queue Numbering

- The queue is numbered, so editors can easily identify the order in which reviewers will be invited.

Re-invite Reviewer Button

- Added a "Re-invite Reviewer" button for journals with queue-enabled functionality.
- Queue numbering is now visible in the UI (top-to-bottom order).
- New "Re-invite Reviewer" and "Re-queue Reviewer" buttons available in queue-enabled journals.

The screenshot displays the 'Queued Reviewers' interface. At the top, it shows 'Queued Reviewers (2)' and 'QUEUE IS NOT ACTIVE'. A note indicates '1 required new reviewer to start queue, 2 are optimal'. Below this, a reviewer card for 'Review Two' is shown, including the reviewer's name, affiliation, email, and a 'QUEUED' status. A large green button labeled 'Start Queue Invites' is prominently displayed in the center. The bottom section repeats the reviewer card information and includes a 'More Details' link.



Nov-2025: Show Keywords in the UI for Journals that have PKG for Editor Suggestion Enabled

Available from	12-November-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	For journals that use PKG for Editor suggestion, we now display the keywords based on related publication history on Editor Suggestion cards.

For journals that use PKG, we now display the keywords based on related publication history on Editor Suggestion cards. This is an enhancement to the Editor Suggestion card release that introduced Suggested Editor cards containing detailed information about potential invitees. With this release PKG journals now have parity with those using Editor Suggestion Tool (EST).

Impacted Roles	Destination Editor (Editorial Board member assigned to transferred manuscript)
Overview	This release addresses a visibility gap for destination editors (Editorial Board members assigned to the manuscript) handling transferred manuscripts. Previously, when a manuscript was transferred via Reject & Refer , the “message for destination editor” provided by the originating editor was not visible to the receiving editorial team. This enhancement ensures that destination editors can now view the transfer context and message directly within the Review and Screening workflows.

Key Features

- Display Transfer Context for Destination Editors
 - When viewing a transferred manuscript, the assigned destination editor can now see:
 - Name of the editor who suggested the transfer
 - Date of transfer
 - Message for destination editor (entered during Reject & Refer)
 - Journal from which the manuscript was transferred
- Dashboard – Article Details page (Review)
- Adds a Transfer Details panel for transferred manuscripts into the Manuscript Details page.
 - Panel is collapsible and will always appear first in the list of collapsible panels.
 - Panel is open by default
 - If user collapses the panel, it will not be expanded if that user refreshes that page on the manuscript.
 - Panel appears only for manuscripts with a transfer history.
 - Panel includes:

- Transfer Date: [MM/DD/YYYY]
- Message for Destination Editor ("from Transferring Editor Firstname Lastname (role)": [Free-text message entered by originating editor])
- Transferred From: [Journal Name]
- Information on panel is read-only; cannot be edited.

Transfer Information panel in Review

DASHBOARD / ARTICLE DETAILS Updated on 2017-03-13 Version 3

ID 5694305 TRANSFERRED 23 days to submit [View Workflow](#)

A Key Major Guideline for Engineering Bioactive Multicomponent Nanofunctionalization for Biomedicine and Other Applications: Fundamental Models Confirmed by Both Direct and Indirect Evidence

[Karl Sabar](#) [Ambuj Bhushan Pua](#) [Rama Shankar Dubey](#) [Mohammad Pessarakli](#) [Lakshmi Kuman Borlagoda](#) [Ambuj Bhushan Pua](#) [Rama Sh...](#) [+ Show Affiliations](#)

Article Type
Expression of Concern

Journal
Canadian Journal of Infectious Diseases and Medical Microbiology

Triage Editor: Cassiano Philippe Gonçalves-de-Albuquerque Academic Editor: Ayodele Temidayo Johniy Submitted on: 13 Mar 2022 (11 days)

> Abstract

> Author Declaration

> Files (1)

Transfer Information

Date: 19 Sep 2025

Message from Eric Manson (Chief Editor)
I am writing to recommend this manuscript for consideration at your journal. While well-executed research, it falls outside our current scope but aligns perfectly with your publication's focus. The methodology is sound and findings are significant. I believe it would be an excellent fit for your...

Transferred from
Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans

+ Screening Report

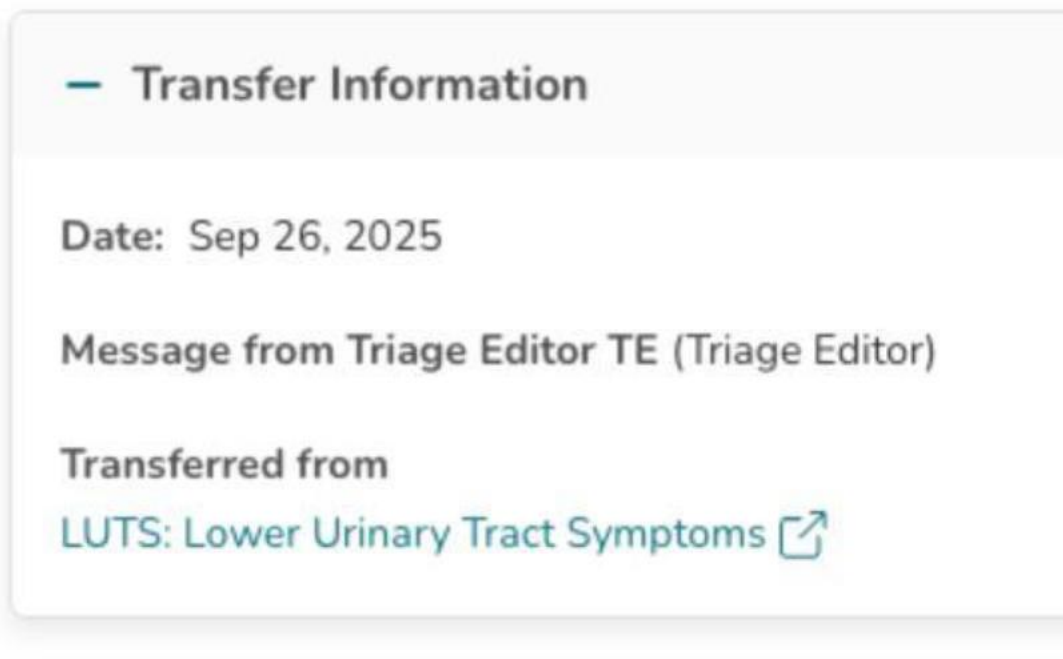
+ Editorial Comments

+ Reviewer Invitation History 0 Reports submitted 0 Overdue 0 Accepted 0 Pending 0 Report not submitted [More](#)

+ Reviewer Reports 3 Reports 2 Used

+ Activity Log

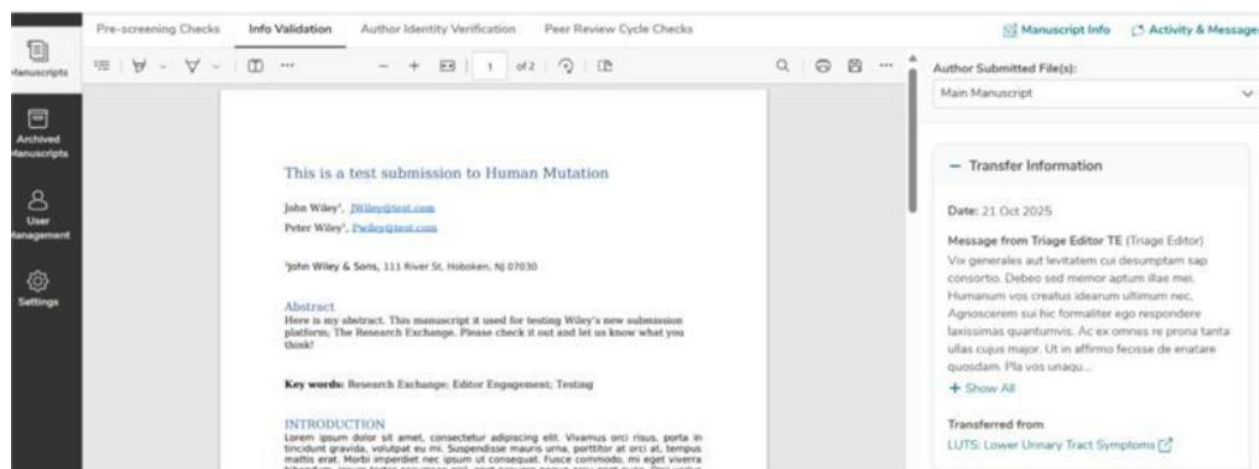
No Information Sent from Previous Editor



Dashboard – Info Validation Tab (Screening)

- Adds a Transfer Information panel for transferred manuscripts into the Info Validation Tab
- Panel appears only for manuscripts with a transfer history.
- Panel includes:
 - Transfer Date: [MM/DD/YYYY]
 - Message for Destination Editor ("from Transferring Editor Firstname Lastname (Role)": [Free-text message entered by originating editor]
 - Transferred From: [Journal Name]
- Information on panel is read-only; cannot be edited.

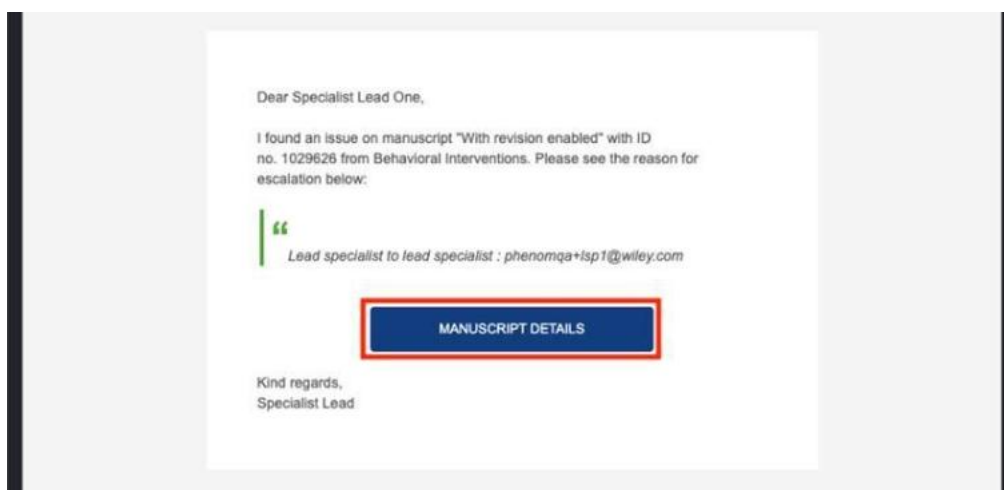
Transfer Information panel in Screening



Nov-2025: Add Manuscript Stage & Link to Screening Escalation Email

Available from	11-November-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Specialist, Lead Screener
Overview	This update adds the manuscript stage in the subject line and a direct link to the manuscript in the body to all escalation notification emails in Screening

This update adds the manuscript stage in the subject line and a direct link to the manuscript in the body to all escalation notification emails in Screening. This provides specialists/lead screeners with immediate context and one-click access to escalated manuscripts.



Nov-2025: Bidirectional Linking

Available from	7-November-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Admin users, Editorial Assistant (EA), Journal Managers (JM), Editor assigned on the manuscript, Editors with 'managing' capabilities -Triage, Lead Guest Editors (collectively, "Users")
Overview	This release introduces enhancements to the Linked Papers initiative; bi-directional linking for in-progress papers. If two in-progress papers are linked, the linking will now show up on both automatically.

Key Features

- **Bi-Directional Linking:** When an in-progress paper (Paper A) is linked to another in-progress paper (Paper B), the system automatically creates a reciprocal link from Paper B to Paper A.
- **Status Restriction:** Linking and unlinking are permitted only between manuscripts that are **in-progress**. Linking to Published, QA, Quality Check, or Deleted papers is not allowed.
- **Script for Existing Links:** A migration script will update existing one-way links between in-progress manuscripts (>147 MSs) to ensure bi-directional linking where applicable.

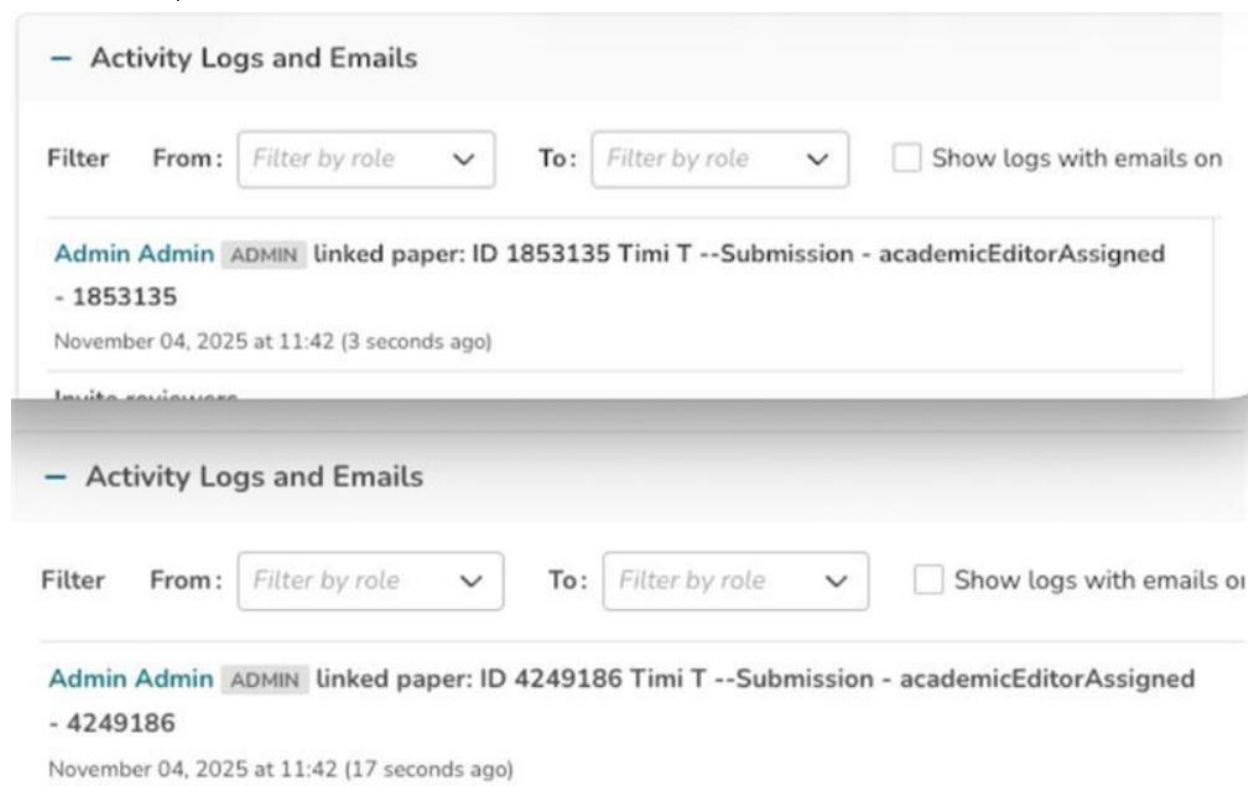
- **Unlink Update:** Unlinking now removes the link from both manuscripts.
- **Activity Log Enhancement:** Activity logs will reflect linking/unlinking actions on both papers involved. Example:

ON PAPER A:

Monica Bruma Admin linked paper: ID 1015805 Research Manuscript – demo 7th of August (PAPER B)
October 10, 2025 at 12:08

ON PAPER B:

Monica Bruma Admin linked paper: ID 1015803 Research Manuscript – ALLALALLALA (PAPER A)
October 10, 2025 at 12:08



Nov-2025: Updates to Dashboard Cards and Manuscript Details Page

Available from	20-October-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review

Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	We now display metrics on Reviewer Invitations and Reviewer Reports display

To better summarize the status of Reviewer Invitations and Reviewer Reports for editors directly in the Dashboard, we have introduced three sets of metrics

- Reviewer reports (metrics for the current manuscript version)
- Reviewer invitation statuses (metrics for the current manuscript version)
- Required reviewers for accept decision (metrics across all manuscript versions)

Editor dashboard listing three manuscript cards. Each card displays the three categories of metrics listed above

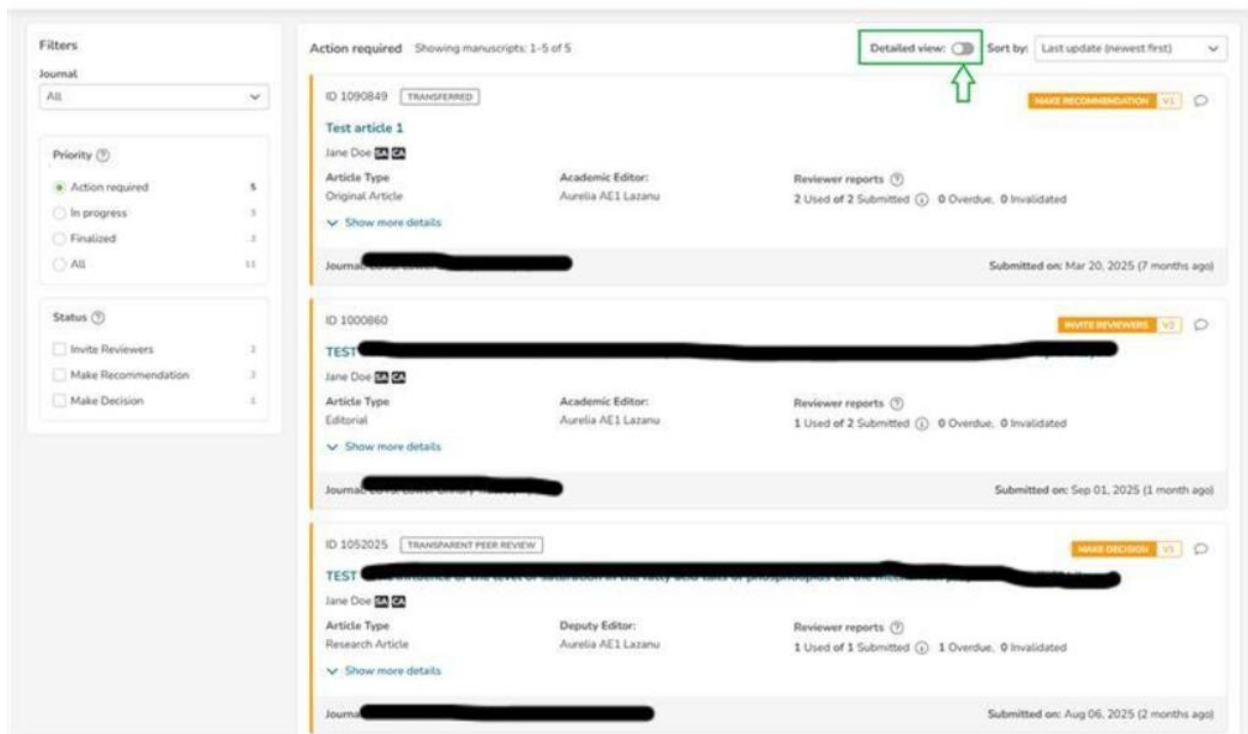
The screenshot shows the Editor dashboard with a sidebar filter and a main area displaying three manuscript cards. The sidebar filter includes 'Journal' (All), 'Priority' (Action required: 5, In progress: 3, Finalized: 3, All: 11), and 'Status' (Invite Reviewers: 2, Make Recommendation: 2, Make Decision: 1). The main area shows three manuscript cards, each with a title, author, article type, academic editor, reviewer reports, reviewer invitation statuses, and required reviewers for accept decision. The cards are sorted by 'Last update (newest first)'.

Manuscript ID	Article Type	Academic Editor	Reviewer Reports	Reviewer Invitation Statuses	Required Reviewers for Accept Decision
ID 1090849	Original Article	Aurelia AE1 Lazanu	2 Used of 2 Submitted, 0 Overdue, 0 Invalidated	1 Accepted, 1 Pending, 1 Declined, 2 Expired, 0 Revoked	2 of 1 Required unique reviewers
ID 1000860	Editorial	Aurelia AE1 Lazanu	1 Used of 2 Submitted, 0 Overdue, 0 Invalidated	0 Accepted, 0 Pending, 0 Declined, 0 Expired, 0 Revoked	1 of 2 Required unique reviewers
ID 1052025	Research Article	Aurelia AE1 Lazanu	1 Used of 1 Submitted, 1 Overdue, 0 Invalidated	0 Accepted, 0 Pending, 0 Declined, 3 Expired, 0 Revoked	1 of 1 Required unique reviewers

Editors can opt for a simplified view of the dashboard, where only the first category of metrics is displayed: Reviewer Reports

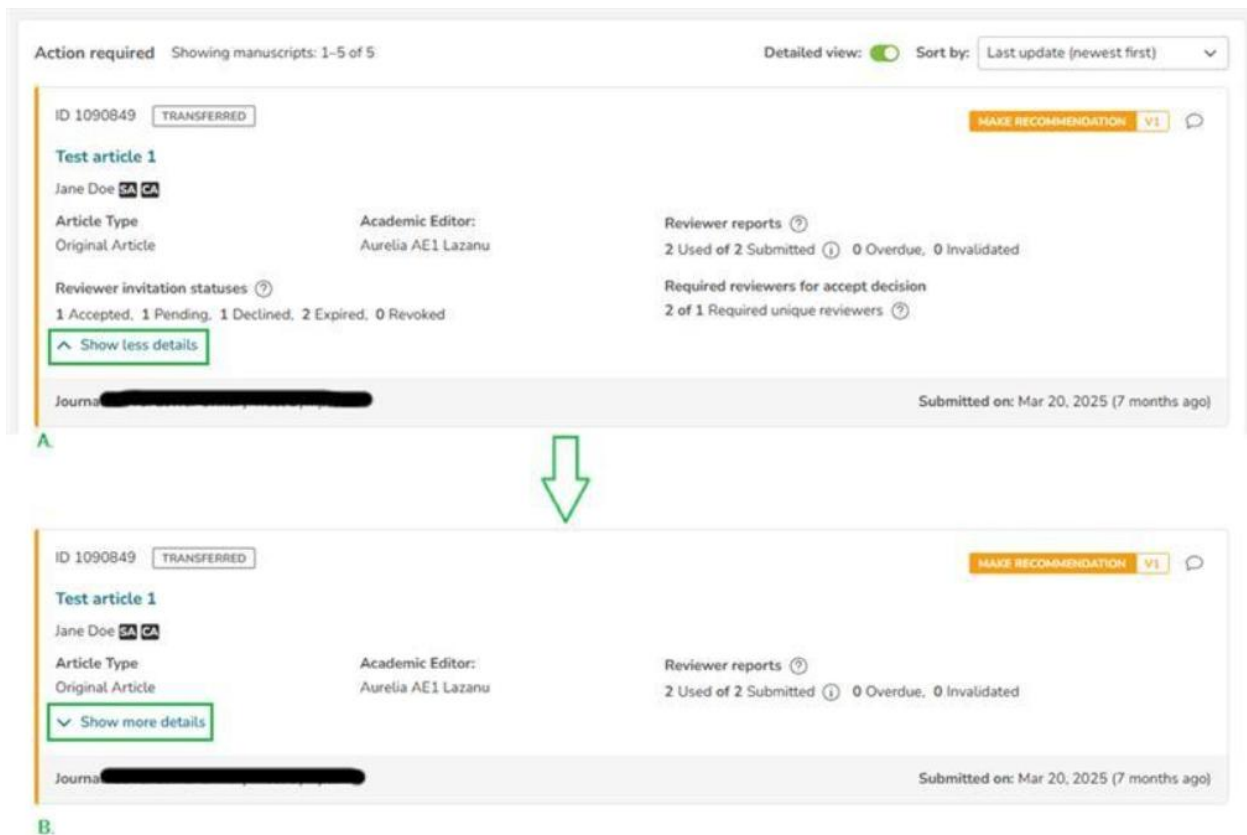
- They may hide the other two categories across the board in one move by turning off the 'Detailed view' toggle at the top –right of the dashboard, near the 'Sort by' function

'Detailed view' toggle. Action is across the entire dashboard.



- They may also hide the other two categories at card level, by clicking on the 'Show less details' button per card. They may revert the action and display all categories again by clicking on the 'Show less details' button

'Show less details' button – card A. After clicking on the button in card A, the two categories are hidden, as displayed on card B. On card B, button changes to 'Show more details' to enable the choice to view all categories. These actions are per card.

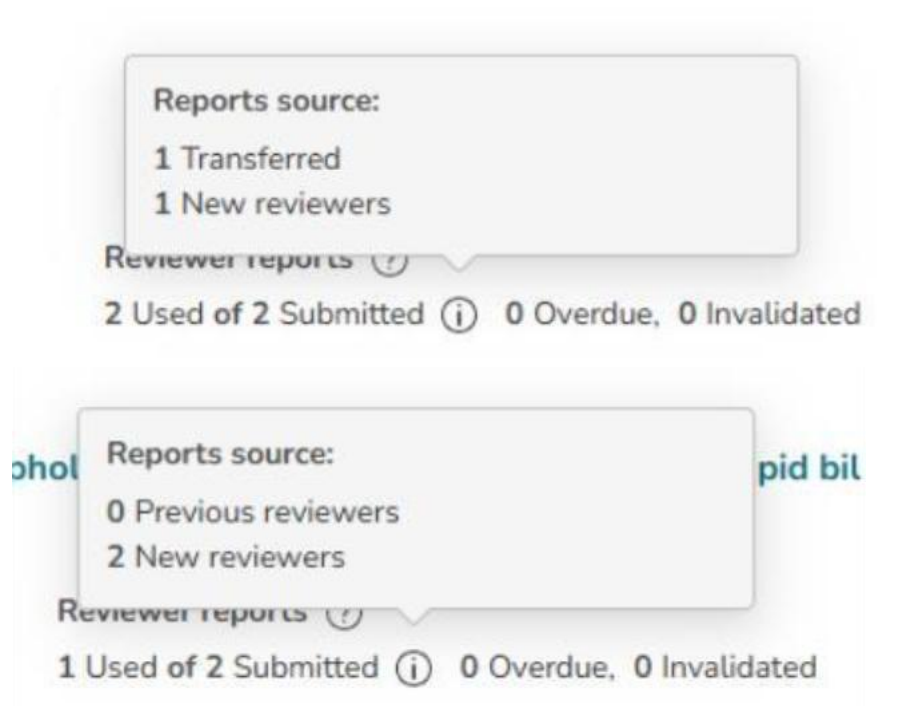
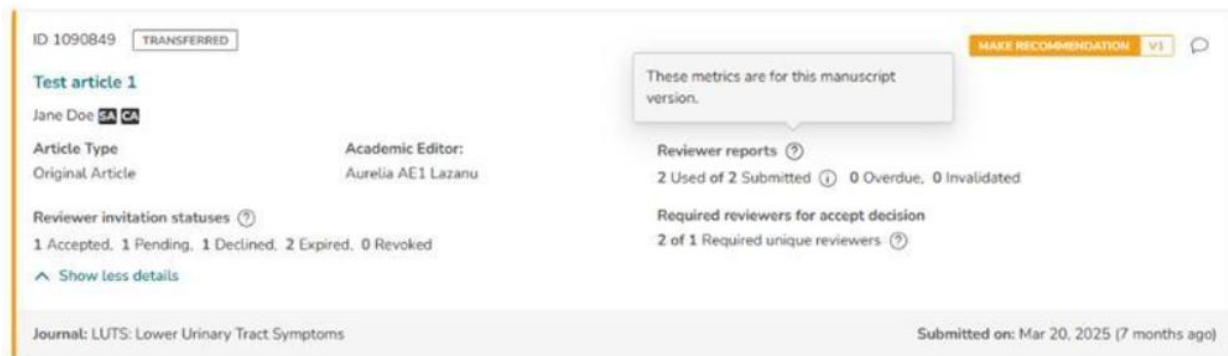


Reviewer reports (metrics for the current manuscript version)

These metrics offer information on reviewer reports on the current version, combining the following sources:

- **Submitted** - reviewer reports submitted by reviewers that accepted invitations to review the current version or transferred from the original submission rejected in another journal and transferred to the current journal (all valid reports)
- **Used** – from the total of submitted reports, only the ones that are selected by the editor to be used in the peer review process
- **Overdue** - reviewer invitations accepted by the reviewer that passed the deadline to submit the report and are marked as overdue (status on the invitation is REPORT NOT SUBMITTED)
- **Invalidated** – reports that have been marked as invalid in Quality Checks due to Conflicts of Interest between the authors and the reviewer or Improper Review identified later in the flow and automatically removed from peer review

'Reviewer reports' metrics on the current version. Reports source popover will display all Submitted reports broken-down by source.



'Transferred' reports can exist only on V1 and only if the manuscript is a transfer from another journal and has imported reviews.

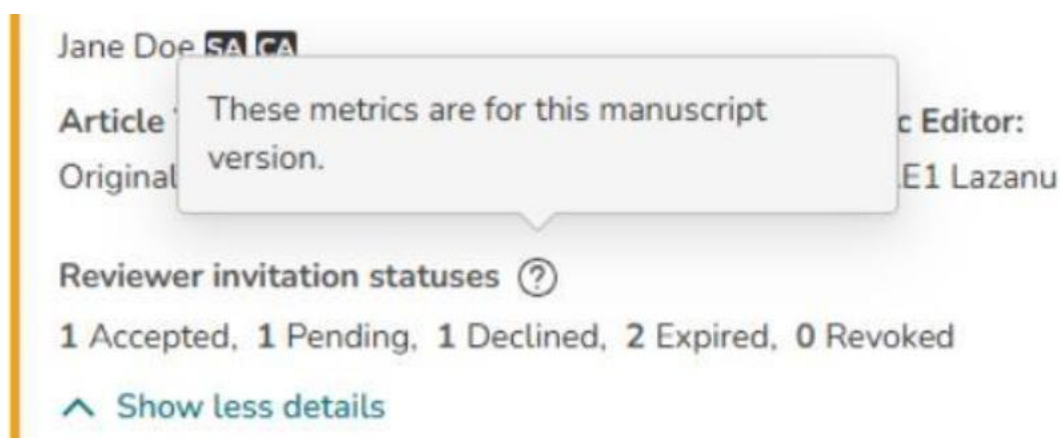
Reports from 'Previous reviewers' can only exist on revisions, where reviewers that reviewed previous versions can be re-invited on the current version.

Reviewer invitation statuses (metrics for the current manuscript version)

These metrics offer information on reviewer invitations sent on the current version with no report submitted and not overdue; listing the count of invitations in all possible statuses (Fig.5):

- Statuses with potential to generate a reviewer report: Accepted; Pending
- Statuses with no potential to generate a reviewer report: Expired; Declined; Revoked (reviewers in these statuses can be re-invited)

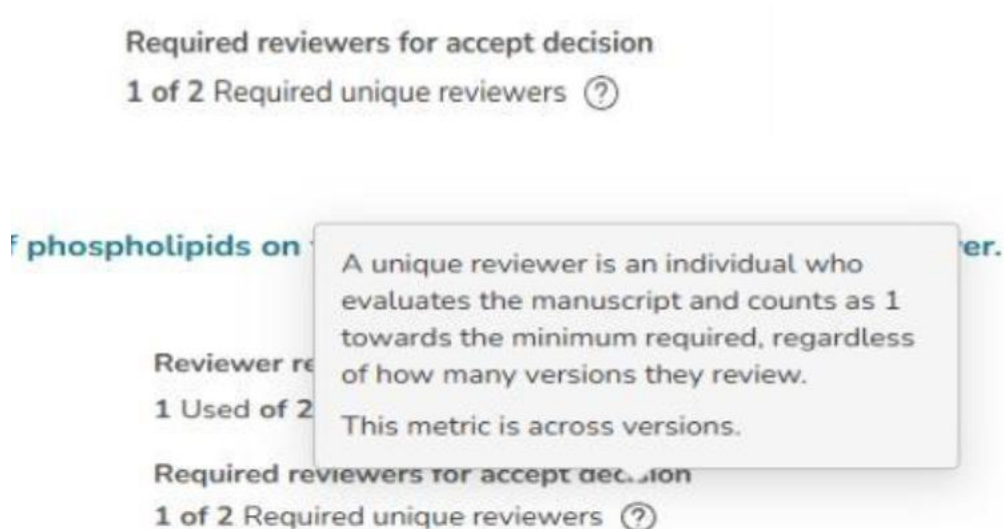
'Reviewer invitation statuses' metrics on the current version.



Required reviewers for accept decision (metrics across all manuscript versions)

These metrics offer information on the number of individual reviewers that have contributed valid reports selected by the editor to count for peer review against the minimum criteria to unlock the 'Acceptance' decision (Fig.6).

'Required reviewers for accept decision' metrics on the current version.

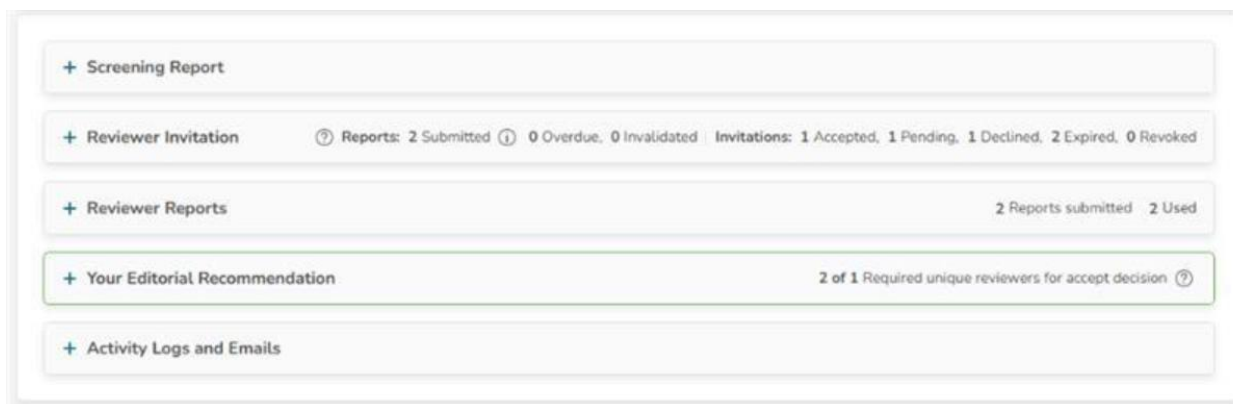


Manuscript Details Page Updates

The information displayed on the manuscript card in the three categories detailed in the first section correlate with information displayed in the Manuscript Details Page, accessed after clicking on a manuscript card (Fig.7):

Dashboard Manuscript Card	Manuscript Details Page
Reviewer report	Header of [Reviewer Reports] & [Reviewer Invitation] modals, top-right
Reviewer invitation statuses	Header of [Reviewer Invitation] modal, top-right
Required reviewers for accept decision	Header of [Your Editorial Recommendation]/ [Your Editorial decision] modal, top-right

Reviewer Reports and Reviewer Invitations metrics within the Manuscript Details Page



Reviewer invitations

+ Screening Report

- Reviewer Invitation

? Reports: 2 Submitted ! 0 Overdue, 0 Invalidated
Inventions: 1 Accepted, 1 Pending, 1 Declined, 2 Expired, 0 Revoked

Notification to make a decision was already sent. Set a new threshold to receive another notification when more reports are submitted. [Customize](#)

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👤 Suggested Reviewers

👤 Specialized Reviewers

🔍 Search Reviewers

👤 Invite Reviewer Manually

👤

Browse suggestions

Choose reviewer from our AI generated reviewer list.

🔍

Search in database

Search for reviewers by their expertise, name or email.

👤

Specialized Reviewers

Choose a specialized reviewer from your journal board.

👤

Add your reviewer

Manually invite reviewer of your choice.

Invitation log (7)

! About Invitation Log

Reviewer Reports



AA ⓘ

aapetrei+r3@wiley.com

Invited: May 28, 2025

Expired: Jun 18, 2025

UNSUBSCRIBED

Keywords: no keywords available. [+ More Details](#)

Reviewer Reports

2 Reports submitted 2 Used

Transferred Reviewer Reports

About Transferred Reports ⓘ

Reviewer 1: Aurelia R1 Lazanu

TRANSFERRED

Oct 06, 2025

Email:

aapetrei+r1@wiley.com

REVIEWER ACTIVITY

Invited: Oct 06, 2025

Accepted: Oct 06, 2025

Submitted: Oct 06, 2025

Recommendation:

MINOR REVISION

Reviewer Report:

Test R1

Would you like to receive recognition for your review using [Web of Science™](#)?

No, I don't want to receive recognition

Manage report for editorial recommendation/decision ⓘ

✔

Report is used for editorial recommendation/decision.

Edit Selection

Invited Reviewer Reports

About Invited Reviewer Reports ⓘ

Reviewer 2: Aurelia R5 Lazanu

Oct 06, 2025

Email:

aapetrei+r5@wiley.com

REVIEWER ACTIVITY

Invited: Oct 06, 2025

Accepted: Oct 06, 2025

Submitted: Oct 06, 2025

Recommendation:

ACCEPT

Reviewer Report:

Test R5

Would you like to receive recognition for your review using [Web of Science™](#)?

No, I don't want to receive recognition

Manage report for editorial recommendation/decision ⓘ

✔

Report is used for editorial recommendation/decision.

Edit Selection

Your Editorial Recommendation

REVIEWER ACTIVITY

Invited: Oct 06, 2025

Accepted: Oct 06, 2025

Submitted: Oct 06, 2025

Reviewer Report:

Test R5

Would you like to receive recognition for your review using [Web of Science™](#)?

No, I don't want to receive recognition

Manage report for editorial recommendation/decision ⓘ

✔ Report is used for editorial recommendation/decision. [Edit Selection](#)

— Your Editorial Recommendation

Recommendation * ⓘ

Choose in the list ▼

2 of 1 Required unique reviewers for accept decision ⓘ

+ Activity Logs and Emails

Nov-2025: User Manages Email Notifications for Conversations

Available from	09-October-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	Phase 2 of the Editorial Conversation Tool will introduce enhanced collaboration features as editors can now tag other editors in comments. This related release provides editors with control over email notifications for conversation messages, reducing inbox overload while maintaining visibility of critical actions.

Key Features

Email Notification Management

Editors can now manage their email preferences for conversation messages:

- Turn email notifications on or off for conversation messages.
- Changes apply globally across all manuscripts from the time of update.

Quick Access to Preferences

Every email notification includes a hyperlink to the email preferences page in Review for easy navigation.

Profile Settings

A new section in the editor profile allows self-management of email preferences at any time.

Email Preferences Page

Displays "Conversation" as a configurable message type with toggle options:

- On: Receive email notifications for new conversation messages.
- Off: Stop receiving email notifications for conversation messages.

Profile settings for email notifications

The screenshot displays the 'Account Settings' page. At the top, there's a header with the 'CONNECT' logo and links for 'Update Profile' and 'Manage Password'. Below this, a paragraph explains that the account is the centralized control for personal profile information, sign-in options, security settings, and other configuration areas. The main content is divided into three sections: 1. 'Personal Information' with fields for First name (Pallavi), Last name (Sharma), Title (Mrs), Email (pharma@email.com), Orcid (https://orcid.org/0000-0003-1131-8826), and Country (India). 2. 'My Affiliation' showing 'Mission University of Varnasi' with an 'Edit' link. 3. 'Notification Settings' with the instruction 'Choose which emails you want to receive.' It features a table with 'Notification type' and 'Email' columns. Two rows are visible: 'Receive Invitations to review manuscripts' and 'New comments or replies on manuscript', both with 'On' status indicated by green checkmarks. A dashed box highlights the 'New comments or replies on manuscript' row, and a tooltip explains: 'You will get notified only if you are part of the conversation or assigned on that manuscript.'

Notification type	Email
Receive Invitations to review manuscripts	On
New comments or replies on manuscript	On

New Comment email notification

Dear [[RECIPIENT_TITLE]] [[RECIPIENT_GIVEN NAME]] [[RECIPIENT_SURNAME]],

A new comment has been added to the manuscript "[[MANUSCRIPT_TITLE]]" in [[JOURNAL_NAME]].

Comment Details

Added by: [[COMMENTS_GIVENNAME]] [[COMMENTS_SURNAME]]
[[COMMENTS_ROLE]]

Date: [[COMMENTS_DATE]]

Comment Preview: [[COMMENTS_PREVIEW_TEXT]]

READ COMMENT

Kind regards,
[[JOURNAL_NAME]]

-- @

If you would no longer like to receive comment notifications, please update notification settings in your [Profile](#).

New Reply email notification

Dear [[RECIPIENT_TITLE]] [[RECIPIENT_GIVEN NAME]] [[RECIPIENT_SURNAME]],

A new reply has been added to the manuscript "[[MANUSCRIPT_TITLE]]" in [[JOURNAL_NAME]].

Comment Details

Added by: [[COMMENTS_GIVENNAME]] [[COMMENTS_SURNAME]]
[[COMMENTS_ROLE]]

Date: [[COMMENTS_DATE]]

Comment Preview: [[COMMENTS_PREVIEW_TEXT]]

READ REPLY

Kind regards,
[[JOURNAL_NAME]]

If you would no longer like to receive comment notifications, please update notification settings in your [Profile](#).

Nov-2025: Extra Dashboard Filters for Editors

Available from	4-Nov-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Review
Impacted Roles	Editors
Overview	This release improves the Editor experience by increasing the filtering options on the Editor Dashboard

Key Features

New Filter Sections

Using the Status, Article Type, Other properties categories, Editors can filter down relevant manuscripts to their liking. These sections will appear as manuscripts become visible in the Editor's view – for example, if the user doesn't have any transferred, special issue or commissioned manuscripts in view, the Other properties category will not be shown as there won't be any relevant manuscripts to filter. Different to the "Priority" sections component, the majority of these filters are multi-selection and can be used to triage the view to all the relevant manuscripts that the Editor needs to view. Here is a more detailed list of the newly added filters:

- Article type: This section allows further filtering based on the article types of the manuscripts in view. Similar to the existing Status filter, this component is shown as the Editor receives manuscripts. Example:

Article type ?

☐ Original Article	4
☐ Review Article	4
☐ Book Review	3
☐ Short Communication	3
☐ Brief Communication	1
☐ Research Article	1

- Other properties: This component includes 3 states that a manuscript may have: Part of special issue, Commissioned and Transferred. Similar to the above, this component will only be shown when the Editors have such manuscripts in their existing view. Example:

Other properties ?

☐ Part of special issue	10
☐ Commissioned	3
☐ Transferred	4

Additional Updates

- Switch from dropdown to checkboxes for status filtering
- Change default sorting to Last Updated (oldest)
- Add helper text (popovers) to the filter categories to help users understand them

Additional filters added

Filters

Reset Filters

Journal

Training Journal 2

Scope

My assigned manuscripts

1

All manuscripts

427

Status

In Screening

83

Assign All

40

Pending Editor Response

5

Invite Reviewers

80

Pending Reviewer Response

11

Under Review

15

Awaiting decision

18

Revision Requested

14

In Quality Checks

59

Accepted

23

Published

94

Rejected

11

Withdrawn

18

Action required

Showing manuscripts: 1-10 of 427

Sort by

Last update (oldest first)

ID 1004000

Demo Manuscript AS2X 20241018104437

Demo Author

Article Type: Review Article

Academic Editor: Unassigned

Reviewer Reports: 0 Invited

Journal: Training Journal 2

Submitted on: Jul 01, 2024 (1 year ago)

ID 1063489

Demo Manuscript AS2X 20241018104448

Demo Author

Article Type: Review Article

Academic Editor: Unassigned

Reviewer Reports: 0 Invited

Journal: Training Journal 2

Submitted on: Jul 01, 2024 (1 year ago)

ID 1079430

Demo Manuscript AS2X 20241018104455

Demo Author

Article Type: Review Article

Academic Editor: Unassigned

Reviewer Reports: 0 Invited

Journal: Training Journal 2

Submitted on: Jul 01, 2024 (1 year ago)

ID 1062162

Demo Manuscript AS2X 20241018104507

Demo Author

Article Type: Review Article

Academic Editor: Unassigned

Reviewer Reports: 0 Invited

Journal: Training Journal 2

Submitted on: Jul 01, 2024 (1 year ago)

Help

“Sort by” default is “Last Update (oldest first)”

Sort by

Last update (oldest first)

▼

MAKE RECOMMENDATION

V2

tion

ts: 0 Invited

Editorial Oversight Filter

Scope 

☐

Journal-wide

☒

Assigned to me41

☐

Reviewer5

☐

Author5

Where "Journal-wide" refers to the entire journal that the Editor has Oversight or Managing capabilities, "Assigned to me" is obviously for manuscripts assigned to said user, "Reviewer" is where the user has papers served as a reviewer and finally, "Author" is for old legacy Phenom submissions which the vast majority of users shouldn't get.

Popover with additional information for each filter category

- **Action required**

Manuscripts needing your immediate action: editor assignments, reviewer invitations, recommendations, or decisions.

- **In progress**

Manuscripts awaiting action from others. May return to Action Required when your input is needed again.

- **Finalized**

Manuscripts with completed workflow requiring no further action.

- **All**

View manuscripts in all workflow stages, regardless of status.

The screenshot shows a web interface for managing manuscripts. At the top, there are radio button filters for 'Finalized' (4 items), 'All' (32 items), and 'Action required'. Below these is a 'Status' section with a help icon (?). A tooltip points to the help icon, stating: 'You can choose a status from the available manuscripts on the current page. The available statuses change when you select a different priority from above.' Under the 'Status' section, there are three checkboxes: 'Invite Reviewer' (1 item), 'Make Recommendation' (2 items), and 'Make Decision' (1 item). To the right of the status filters, there are columns for 'Automation' and 'Article Type'.

Filter	Count
Finalized	4
All	32

Status	Count
Invite Reviewer	1
Make Recommendation	2
Make Decision	1

Status (?)

☐ Invite Reviewers13

☐ Make Recommendation2

☐ Make Decision1

Article type (?)

☐ Original Article

☐ Review Article4

☐ Book Review3

☐ Short Communication3

☐ Brief Communication1

☐ Research Article1

Other properties (?)

☐ Part of special issue

Action required

ID 3538403

Additive Manu

Reviewer Report

Journal: LUTS: Lo

ID 2122510

Advanced Control Str

Article Type: Review Arti

Reviewer Reports: 0 Invi

Here you can filter manuscripts based on the Article types the manuscripts on your dashboard have.

Here you can filter manuscripts based on the following: trasferred content, Part of special issue, Commissioned

Nov-2025: [Dashboard filters] Implement checker team and individual assignment filters

Available from	4-Nov-2025
Impacted Module	Research Exchange Screening
Impacted Roles	Lead Screeners, Admins
Overview	This release introduces enhanced workload visibility and filtering capabilities for Lead Screeners and Admins managing checker assignments. The update enables dynamic analysis of submission distribution across teams and individuals, supporting informed decisions on workload redistribution and performance monitoring.

Key Features

- Team & Individual Workload Visibility
 - Display of submission counts both by team and by individual checkers in dropdown menus
 - If no specific team selected, all available checkers displayed grouped by team
 - If no checkers are present in a team, the dropdown will not be displayed
 - Admins can filter by submission status (Assigned, Unassigned, All).
 - Lead Screeners see only assigned submissions (Assignment status filter hidden).
- Contextual Workload Analysis
 - Filters for manuscript type, processing stage, and status conditions.
 - Workload counts dynamically updated based on filter selection
 - Visibility into workload patterns under specific manuscript states (e.g., paused, returned to draft).
- Filter Management & Decision Support
 - Reset filters individually or all at once.
 - Immediate visual feedback and real-time data updates upon filter changes.

- Consistent filter state across analysis scenarios.
- New Filters Panel:
 - Admin view includes Assignment status filter (All, Assigned, Unassigned).
 - Lead screener view excludes Assignment status filter
- Workload Dashboard Enhancements:
 - Teams displayed with clear delimiters; individual checkers grouped under respective teams.
 - Dropdown for checkers hidden if no checkers exist in a team.
- Dynamic Count Indicators:
 - Real-time updates when filters are applied or reset.

Admin View – Containing Assignment Status

Archived Manuscripts

User Management

Settings

All

Manuscript stage

All

☐ Author responded175

Manuscript assignment

Assignment status

All

Checker team

All

Checker

All

All stages4750

Processing0

☐ Automatic checks105

Lead Screener View – Without Assignment Status



Archived Manuscripts

Issue type

All



Manuscript stage

All



Manuscript assignment

Checker team

All



Checker

All



All stages 93

Action required

0

☐ Escalated

2

Work in progress

0

☐ New manuscript stage

81

Lead Screener View (note you can't select Screening Team from Checker filter in either Admin or Lead Screener View)

The screenshot displays the 'Lead Screener View' interface. On the left, a sidebar contains filters for 'manuscript stage' (set to 'All'), 'Manuscript assignment', 'Checker team' (set to 'All'), and 'Checker' (set to 'All'). Below these are lists of teams and their counts: 'All' (93), '[SERGIU] SC TEAM' (65), 'Sergiu SC' (3), 'Sergiu New' (62), 'ROXANA 6 JUNE DUBLA 2' (28), '52 scr Wiley' (2), 'Roxana Lead' (4), 'CF BDI DUBLA' (0), and 'Pending response' (0). At the bottom of the sidebar are checkboxes for 'Returned to draft' (2), 'Sent to peer review' (5), and 'Else accepted' (0). The main area shows two manuscript entries. The first entry, ID 1026196, is titled 'CB SUB Test Submission - Test 18C'. It is a 'Research Article' from the 'Behavioral Interventions' journal, with 'None' as the section and special issue. The submitting author is Jane Smith, and the checker is Roxana Lead. It was submitted on 30 Oct 2025 (5 days ago). The second entry, ID 1024338, is titled 'BIN - author order'. It is also a 'Research Article' from the 'Behavioral Interventions' journal, with 'None' as the section and special issue. The submitting author is Roxana Lucan, and the checker is Roxana Lead. It was also submitted on 30 Oct 2025 (5 days ago). Both entries have a 'NEW MANUSCRIPT STAGE' button and a 'SC' tag.

Checker Teams

***NOTE:** If a Team only includes lead screeners, the papers they are handling will appear to be "unassigned"

Manuscript assignment

Clear

Assignment status

Assigned

Checker team

All

All	3436
E2E QC	0
andreea	0
Training Journal 4 Screening	12
Training journal 3	0
MPS Test Journal Screening	12
[Sergiu] SC team	45
ITΔ1 QC	0

Individual Checkers on Selected Team

Manuscript assignment

Clear

Assignment status

Assigned

▼

Checker team

[Sergiu] SC team

▼

Checker

All

▼

All

45

[SERGIU] SC TEAM

45

Sergiu SC

2

Sergiu New

43

Individual checkers grouped by Team

Manuscript assignment

Clear

Assignment status

Assigned

▼

Checker team

All

▼

Checker

All

▼

All	3436
E2E QC	0
Emanuel QC	0
ANDREEA	0
TRAINING JOURNAL 4 SCREENI...	12
EA IEO Research Exchange	12
TRAINING JOURNAL 3	0

Results Updated by Application of Filter