

## Editor's Perspective: Basics of an Article Submission

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Editor's perspective, therefore is, that the article should be written in a proper scientific language which is related to the field in which the research is conducted. This is followed by the journal's requirement like originality of research work, plagiarism clearance, length of the article, typographical errors, grammar, figures and tables, references and there proper citation within the article, over all formatting along with cover letter according to the submission format. Proper files are then checked by the editor to see whether the author has submitted the material in the word file or PDF. Thereafter, the submitted research work is submitted or forwarded to the external reviewer after the initial desk review is complete. Articles that are found irrelevant are sent back to the authors for further corrections and resubmission if the above criteria are not fulfilled.

These are the things that an editor looks for in an article when it is submitted and are important. These skills can be improved, refined and cultivated by adopting good writing practices among researchers. Introductory courses for manuscript writing must be developed and established in the institutions along with research work and protocol writing.

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