

The Art of Reviewing an Article Efficiently



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The objectives of the workshop

- Guidelines to register as a reviewer in the online journal included MJS.
- Acquire the knowledge to deal with OJS system.
- Familiarize the standard requirements to be a reviewer.
- Step by step to review a scientific article.





Reviewer Registration

Review a Manuscript

New Reviewer

Existence Reviewer

Register in Journal

Account Login

Select Manuscript to review

1. Accept / Decline Review Request

2. Read Reviewer Guidelines

3. Download Article Manuscript

4. Write Your Reviews (Text Format)

5. Upload the Manuscript of Corrections (Optional)

6. Choose Your Final Decision

Review Procedure

Journal Registration

- Register as an author and/or Reader



Journal Registration (cont.)

- Fill the required fields such as:
 - Review interest
 - ORCID Account
 - Contact information
 - URL
 - Affiliation
 - Bio statement



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Fill in this form to register with this site.
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(Your institution, e.g. "Simon Fraser University")

Signature

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URL

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Mailing Address

Country

Bio Statement (E.g., department and rank)

Confirmation

Working Languages

Register as

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English

العربية

Reader: Notified by email on publication of an issue of the journal.

Author: Able to submit items to the journal.

* Denotes required field

Reviewer Login

- Login to your account to make a review

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User Home

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Select Manuscript



Select manuscript

- Select the manuscript to review it

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525	08-15	math	Approximate Solution for Fuzzy Time-Fractional Nonlinear...	Regrets	—
487	06-30	CS	PLANT LEAF DISEASE DETECTION USING SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE	—	—
487	07-26	CS	PLANT LEAF DISEASE DETECTION USING SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE	Accept Submission	Accept Submission

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Review Steps

- Make your review

Review Steps

1. Notify the submission's editor as to whether you will undertake the review.
Response Accepted
2. If you are going to do the review, consult Reviewer Guidelines below.
3. Click on file names to download and review (on screen or by printing) the files associated with this submission.
Submission Manuscript [487-2136-2-RV.DOCX](#) 2018-07-10
Supplementary File(s) None
4. Click on icon to enter (or paste) your review of this submission.
Review
5. In addition, you can upload files for the editor and/or author to consult.
Uploaded files [487-2447-1-RV.DOCX](#) 2018-07-26
6. Select a recommendation and submit the review to complete the process. You must enter a review or upload a file before selecting a recommendation.
Recommendation **Accept Submission** 2018-07-26

Reviewer Guidelines



Take your Decision

Register your Review

- Highlight your review ideas
- Two styles to highlight your review points

Review

Reviewer
2018-07-26 01:25 PM

For author and editor

Subject: Plant Leaf Disease Detection Using Support Vector Machine

The article consider good branch for detecting plants desieses. It did not use the journal template, and the writing language is generally weak.

Please, see the file attached for my review.

conditionally accepted

Close

The screenshot shows a PDF viewer displaying a document titled "Plant Leaf Disease Detection Using Support Vector Machine". The document text includes sections like "Training the Detection System" and "Testing the detection system". Several parts of the text are highlighted in blue, and a sidebar on the right contains several comments (h28, h29, h30, h31, h32, h36, h37, h38) with dashed lines pointing to the corresponding highlighted text. The comments provide suggestions and questions related to the text, such as "In order to obtain the color and texture features using GLCM with (8: Number of gray levels, [0 1]: Offset), what will happen next???", "Remove a, the font of paragraph is change.", "You will examine the accuracy or the system do this job?", "There is no indication to this figure.", "Why 80% and 20%? What about 60% 40%, or 90% and 10%?", "Where is figure 4.15, and figure 3 is not mentioned in the text.", "20% from total samples? Or the divided samples for testing?", "How do you calculate the accuracy? Did you compare these results with other studies to decide they are accurate?", and "Where are located figures 5 and 6?".





Positive review

- *The manuscript is well-written in an engaging and lively style.*
- *The level is appropriate to our readership.*
- *The subject is very important. It is currently something of a “hot topic,” and it is one to which the author(s) have made significant contributions.*
- *This manuscript ticks all the boxes we normally have in mind for an X paper, and I have no hesitation in recommending that it be accepted for publication after a few typos and other minor details have been attended to.*
- *Given the complexity involved, the author has produced a number of positive and welcome outcomes including the literature review which offers a useful overview of current research and policy and the resulting bibliography which provides a very useful resource for current practitioners.*
- *This is a well-written article that does identify an important gap.*



constructive criticism is required

- *In the “Discussion” section I would have wished to see more information on...*
- *Overall I do not think that this article contains enough robust data to evidence the statement made on page X, lines Y–Z.*
- *I would strongly advise the author(s) of this paper to rewrite their introduction, analysis, and discussion to produce a more contextualized introduction to...*
- *There is an interesting finding in this research about However, there is insufficient discussion of exactly what this finding means and what its implications are.*
- *This discussion could be enlarged to explain...*
- *The authors could strengthen the paper by...*
- *The paper would be significantly improved with the addition of more details about...*
- *The abstract is very lengthy and goes into detailed accounts that are best suited for the article’s main discussion sections. As such, it is suggested the section is reduced in size and that only the most important elements remain.*
- *To make this paper publishable the author needs to*



linguistic alterations are required

- *This paper would benefit from some closer proof reading. It includes numerous linguistic errors (e.g. agreement of verbs) that at times make it difficult to follow. I would suggest that it may be useful to engage a professional English language editor following a restructure of the paper.*
- *The paper is to benefit from making stylistic changes in the way it has been written to make a stronger, clearer, and more compelling argumentative case.*
- *There are a few sentences that require rephrasing for clarity.*



Basic Information

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- Respond to invitation promptly

2

- Overview of the Review Report Format

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- Informal Structure

4

- Formal Structure



In Both Cases

Basic Information

The First Read-Through

First Read Considerations

Spotting Potential Major Flaws

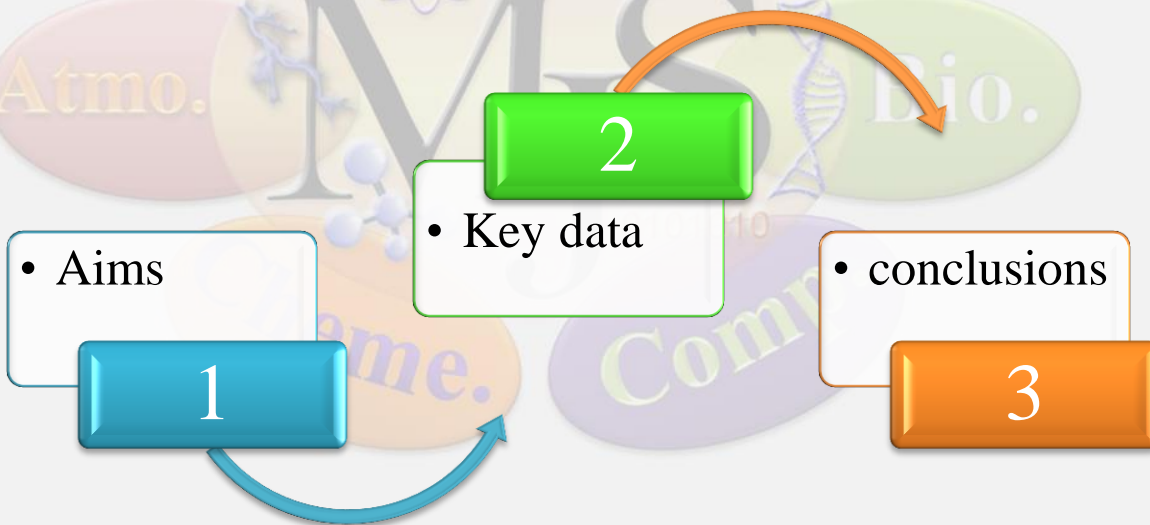
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Basic Information

The First Read-Through



Basic Information

First Read Considerations



Answer the following question

- What is the main question addressed by the research? Is it relevant and interesting?
- How original is the topic? What does it add to the subject area compared with other published material?
- Is the paper well written? Is the text clear and easy to read?
- Are the conclusions consistent with the evidence and arguments presented? Do they address the main question posed?
- If the author is disagreeing significantly with the current academic consensus, do they have a substantial case? If not, what would be required to make their case credible?
- If the paper includes tables or figures, what do they add to the paper? Do they aid understanding or are they superfluous?

Basic Information

Spotting Potential Major Flaws

Specific recommendations for remedying flaws are **VERY** welcome

Examples of possibly major flaws include:

- Drawing a conclusion that is contradicted by the author's own statistical or qualitative evidence
- The use of a discredited method.
- Ignoring a process that is known to have a strong influence on the area under study.
- If experimental design features prominently in the paper, first check that the methodology is sound - if not, this is likely to be a major flaw.

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Rejection After the First Impression



Advanced Review

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Detailed read-through

To save time and simplify the review:

- Don't rely solely upon inserting comments on the manuscript document - make separate notes
- Try to group similar concerns or praise together
- If using a review program to note directly onto the manuscript, still try grouping the concerns and praise in separate notes - it helps later
- Note line numbers of text upon which your notes are based - this helps you find items again and also aids those reading your review
- Keep images, graphs and data tables in clear view - either print them off or have them in view on a second computer monitor or window

Advanced Review

Detailed read-through

**Offer clear suggestions for how the authors can address the concerns raised.
In other words, if you're going to raise a problem, provide a solution.**

**Any places where the meaning
is unclear or ambiguous**

Any factual errors

Any invalid arguments





Step by Step to write comments



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Thank You For Your Attention

