



Early Career Scientist Workshop.

Steps to publish a paper in Animal Genetics.



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- Pre-submission
- Submission and Peer-Review
- Revision
- Publication



- Pre-submission: Research your Research
 - Is the paper appropriate?
 - What are the Aims & Scopes?
 - What do the Author Guidelines say?
 - Are you asking the right questions for the journal?

Contact Editor if questions on appropriateness.
Send abstract?



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- Pre-submission: Present your Research
 - Research how to write a good paper
 - Does the paper clearly describe the methods to others who didn't do the work? (Could someone duplicate your work from the details you provided?)
 - Is the paper understandable to others not directly knowledgeable about the topic?
 - Spot the hypothesis!
 - Have you answered it?



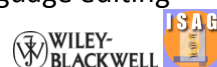
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- Pre-submission: Present your Research
 - Is it in the appropriate format? (Check a recent copy for the correct formatting.)
 - Have you made good use of tables, images, data and does the text correctly reference these?
 - Have you checked your reference list (or read the papers!)?
 - Have you reviewed your language usage? (Use a native English speaker to proof your paper.)

See Author Guidelines page on the Animal Genetics website for details on getting help with English language editing



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- Submission and Peer-Review

- Submit the right stuff (correct files in the correct physical format)
- Have you followed the correct format for the paper (check the references again)
- Have you got the nomenclature right?
- Have you submitted sequences to GenBank?



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- Submission and Peer-Review (cont)

- Have you got all the necessary permissions?
- Have you entered everyone's correct email addresses?
- Have you suggested some reviewers?



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- Editor's Initial Reaction

- Is the English good?
- Is the paper appropriate (relevant) for Animal Genetics?
- Has the correct format been used? (references, titles, etc.)

The paper could be rejected immediately or it could be assigned to an associate editor.



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- Revisions

- Respond promptly to revision requests and queries
- Do not dismiss comments from the editor and reviewers



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- Acceptance and Publication

- Have you sent in the right stuff? (Check the Author Guidelines again and the acceptance email)
- Have you sent in images in the right format in the right resolution? (check the Artwork Guidelines)
- Have you or a co-author moved?
- Do any URLs still work?



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- Acceptance and Publication

- Respond promptly and carefully on proofs, every single character gets changed!
- Check tables and figures for accuracy and formatting
- Check that hot-links and websites are still functional





- Helpful websites:

Author Guidelines on the Animal Genetics website

www.blackwellpublishing.com/age

English language writing on the Animal Genetics website

www.blackwellpublishing.com/bauthor/english_language.asp

Author Services on the Wiley-Blackwell Publishing website

www.blackwellpublishing.com/bauthor/



Do not get despondent if your paper is rejected,
most are!

Everyone gets papers rejected.

