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## New Look Interface for Editor and Publisher Pages

The new page style applied to Author and Review pages in EM version 4.0 has been extended to Editor and Publisher pages. Care has been taken not to depart from familiar screen layouts (so user retraining is not required). However, the new style is more pleasing to the eye and more professional looking. Future versions of EM will apply the updated design to System Administration pages and Publisher Role pages.

The new interface has been implemented using a Browser technology called CSS (Cascading Style Sheets). Although the benefits of this technology may not be immediately apparent, from a technical point of view it provides the foundation for significantly greater journal/publisher branding in future versions.

The Action column can now display the links either as a popup menu or as a list of links (as in 4.0). Upon 5.0 upgrade, the default selection will be as a popup menu. To see the popup menu, hover the mouse over the words 'Action Links'. The entire row highlights. Then slide the mouse to the side (without clicking or holding down any buttons) over the link you want to use and then left click the mouse. You can expand the list by clicking the ☰ sign on the left of the word 'Action' in the column header. To return to using a popup menu of links (collapse the list), click the ☰ sign next to the word Action in the column header.

NOTE: When you expand or collapse the list, this setting is remembered and in every folder in EM.

Here is a screen shot with Action Links shown in a popup window.

The screenshot displays the Editorial Manager interface. A popup menu is open over the 'Action Links' column header of a submission table. The popup menu contains the following items: View Submission, Details, History, File Inventory, Classifications, Edit Submission, Invite Reviewers, Solicit Commentary, Similar Articles in MEDLINE, Search in Google.com, Search in Pubmed, Search OVID MEDLINE, Google Scholar, Submit Editor's Decision and Comments, and Send E-mail. The table below has columns for Author Name, Initial Date Submitted, Status Date, Current Status, and Editor Decision. The first row shows a submission by Duncan Webber, submitted on Apr 3 2006, with a status date of May 19 2006 and a current status of 'Under Peer Review'. The page footer indicates 'Page: 1 of 1 (1 total submissions)' and 'Display 10 results per page.'

Author Name	Initial Date Submitted	Status Date	Current Status	Editor Decision
Duncan Webber	Apr 3 2006 1:18:02	May 19 2006 10:38:32	Under Peer Review	

Here is a screen shot with Action links shown in a list:

**Submissions with Reviewers Invited - No Response - Ed J Editor, MD**

**Contents:** Submissions where one or more Reviewers have neither agreed to nor declined the Review Invitation. These submissions require one of the following actions: 1) Invite Additional Reviewer(s); 2) Allow current Reviewers to complete their work; 3) Make a Decision. Use the up/down arrows to change the sort order.

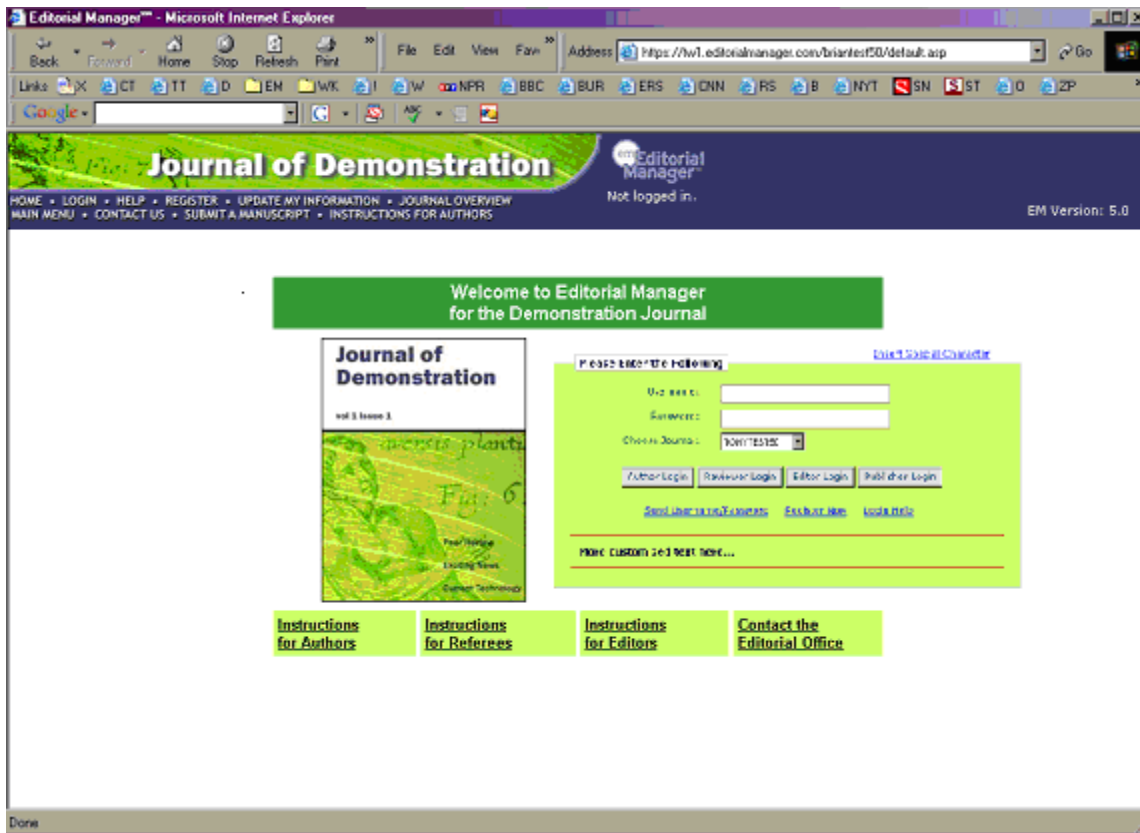
Page: 1 of 1 (2 total submissions)      Display  results per page.

Action	Manuscript Number	Article Type	Article Title	Author Name	Initial Date Submitted	Status Date	Current Status	Editor Decision
<a href="#">View Submission</a> <a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">History</a> <a href="#">File Inventory</a> <a href="#">Classifications</a> <a href="#">Edit Submission</a> <a href="#">Invite Reviewers</a> <a href="#">Solicit Commentary</a> <a href="#">Similar Articles in MEDLINE</a> <a href="#">Search in Google.com</a> <a href="#">Search in Pubmed</a> <a href="#">Search OVID MEDLINE</a> <a href="#">Google Scholar</a> <a href="#">Submit Editor's Decision and Comments</a> <a href="#">Send E-mail</a>	00012	Original Article	Selecting Ed Editor as my editor - direct to editor	Duncan specific Webber	Mar 23 2006 10:39:56	Mar 24 2006 8:58:20	Under Peer Review	
<a href="#">View Submission</a> <a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">History</a> <a href="#">File Inventory</a> <a href="#">Classifications</a> <a href="#">Edit Submission</a> <a href="#">Invite Reviewers</a> <a href="#">Solicit Commentary</a>				Duncan		Mar 22		

## Login on Welcome Page

Users can modify the Editorial Manager Welcome page to their specifications, which may include a variety of information, such as links to related sites and the publication's submission policies. The Welcome page is accessed when a user enters the publication's EM URL into the browser or when "Home" is clicked on the navigation bar.

In version 5.0 of Editorial Manager, the Login function is available for inclusion on the Welcome page. This eliminates the need to click on the "Login" button on the navigation bar, and provides quicker access to the system.



If a publication wants to include the Login function on their Welcome page, they must provide space for a "frame" (e.g. iframe) to include HTML coding that would call up the Login functions. The code required to insert a login box on an HTML page is: `<iframe frameborder="0" style="height: 300px; width: 600px; border-style: none; border-width: 0px;" name="login" src="login.asp"></iframe>`.

NOTE: You must contact your Publisher or your Aries' Account Coordinator to upload your new Welcome page.

## Special Offers, Terms and Conditions

EM can now be configured so that users are directed to read and accept user agreement terms and conditions before submitting or reviewing manuscripts for the journal. Journals can also solicit offers for marketing or promotional materials, which users could agree or decline to receive. Users would be asked to check a box indicating their preference when they register and/or login to the system. Journals can specify whether the user is required to check the box (in the case of accepting user agreement terms), or if it is optional (the user may decline to receive promotional materials). These are referred to as 'Registration Questions' in the system.

Existing users may be presented with a required question - indicated with an asterisk - when they login to the system.

NOTE: The Continue button is disabled until the user checks the box for the required question(s).

NOTE: If a question is required, the journal is advised to include special instructions explaining that the user cannot proceed until the box has been checked.

**REGISTRATION QUESTIONS**

**Required Questions**

Please respond to the question(s) below by checking the box(s) and clicking Continue:

\* I have read and understand the Registered User Agreement and agree to be bound by all of its terms.

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New users may be presented with required statements and/or optional statements when they register for the system.

**CONFIRM REGISTRATION**

**Please confirm the following very important information:**

First Name: **Mel**  
Last Name: **Parsons**  
Username: **mel**  
Email Address: **mel@edmgr.com**  
Country: **UNITED STATES**

\* I have read and understand the Registered User Agreement and agree to be bound by all of its terms.

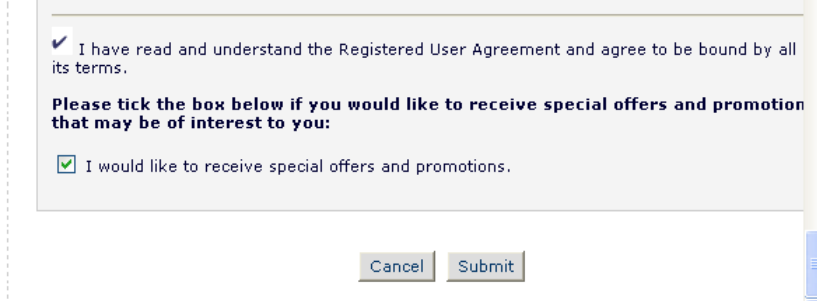
**Please tick the box below if you would like to receive special offers and promotions that may be of interest to you:**

I would like to receive special offers and promotions.

If the information is correct and you wish to complete your registration, click the 'Continue' button below.

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Users can also see the questions on the Update My Information page.



I have read and understand the Registered User Agreement and agree to be bound by all its terms.

**Please tick the box below if you would like to receive special offers and promotion that may be of interest to you:**

I would like to receive special offers and promotions.

NOTE: Optional questions are editable (box can be checked or unchecked).

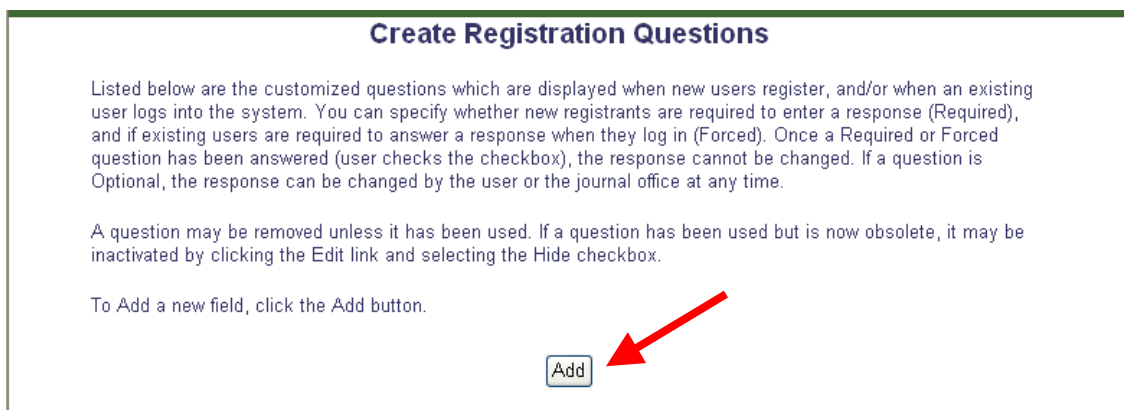
NOTE: Required/forced questions are un-editable (box cannot be unchecked) once the box has been checked.

Administrators can also see the questions on the Search People - Update Information page.

**TO CONFIGURE:**

Go to PolicyManager, then to the Registration and Login Policies section, and click the 'Create Registration Questions' link. Special offers, terms and conditions are referred to as 'Registration Questions' in the system, because the functionality is intentionally 'generic' so that journals could create questions/statements for purposes other than agreeing to special offers, terms and conditions.

Click the 'Add' button to create a registration question.



**Create Registration Questions**

Listed below are the customized questions which are displayed when new users register, and/or when an existing user logs into the system. You can specify whether new registrants are required to enter a response (Required), and if existing users are required to answer a response when they log in (Forced). Once a Required or Forced question has been answered (user checks the checkbox), the response cannot be changed. If a question is Optional, the response can be changed by the user or the journal office at any time.

A question may be removed unless it has been used. If a question has been used but is now obsolete, it may be inactivated by clicking the Edit link and selecting the Hide checkbox.

To Add a new field, click the Add button.

Enter the question/statement you want the user to see in the Question text box, and any special Instructions you would like the user to see. NOTE: Instructions are optional. Some explanatory text is displayed by default on pages where the questions are displayed.

NOTE: The question can be entered in HTML format. This allows hyperlinks (e.g. to a user agreement or privacy policy) to be embedded in the question displayed to the user.

**Add Custom Registration Questions**

Enter the question below to be displayed when new users register, and/or when an existing user logs into the system. If there are special instructions, they can be entered below, and are displayed above the question on user-facing pages. All questions are 'answered' by checking a checkbox. You can specify whether new registrants are required to enter a response (Required), and if existing users are required to answer a response when they log in (Forced). You can also indicate whether users are exempt from answering Forced questions if they log in with particular user roles. Once a Required or Forced question has been answered (user checks the checkbox), the response cannot be changed. If a question is Optional, the response can be modified by the user or the journal office at any time.

You may then specify if the question and response should be displayed on the Transmittal Form. Help Text on the Transmittal Form is optional.

**Question:** [Insert Special Character](#)

I would like to receive special offers and promotions.

**Instructions:** [Insert Special Character](#)

`<b> Please tick the box below if you would like to receive special offers and promotions that may be of interest to you: </b>`

The next step is to specify where the question/statement will be displayed, and whether or not users are required to check the box before proceeding.

1. 'Optional' - For new user registrations and existing users. Optional questions are displayed for both new user registrations, and on the People Information pages, where the user or the journal staff can change the answer at any time (i.e. the user may agree to receive promotional materials, but later decide they do not want to receive promotional materials). If a question is Optional, it is displayed on the following pages:
  - Registration Verification (when a new user successfully registers for the system)
  - Update My Information
  - Search People – Update Information (when a people record is accessed by the journal staff)

NOTE: Optional questions are not displayed when the user logs into the system.

2. 'Required' – Displayed for new user registrations only. If this option is selected, a person cannot register for the system without checking the box. Once the box is checked (i.e. new user Joe agrees to the terms and conditions of the User Agreement), it cannot be unchecked by the user or the journal office. Required questions are displayed on the following pages:
  - Registration Verification

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- Update My Information Search People – Update Information: Note that the question and answer are read-only on this page, as the journal office should not be answering Required questions on behalf of the user, but should have visibility to the question and response.

3. ‘Forced’ - A Required question could also be ‘Forced’, indicating that an answer is also required for existing users when they login to the system. This checkbox and label are disabled (grayed out) unless the ‘Required’ radio button is selected. Since a Forced question is a ‘subset’ of a Required question, a Forced question is displayed on the Registration Verification page, AND when the user logs in, and the user cannot proceed without entering a response (checking the box). Once the box is checked, the question and an un-editable response (i.e. box cannot be unchecked) are also displayed on the Update My Information page. Note the question and response are displayed read-only on the Search People – Update Information page, as the journal office should not be answering Forced questions on behalf of the user, but should have visibility to the question and response. Once the box is checked (i.e. existing user Mary agrees to the terms and conditions of the User Agreement), it cannot be unchecked by the user or the journal office.

4.

Response is:

Optional  
 Required  
 Forced

The next step is to indicate whether any user roles are exempt from answering forced questions when they login to the system. Journals may want to let users logging in with certain user roles bypass Forced questions. For example, a person logging into the system as an Editor may not be required to agree to the User Agreement terms. However, when that same person logs in as an Author to submit a manuscript, he would be forced to agree to the terms. The default state of all three checkboxes (Reviewer, Editor and Publisher) is unchecked.

Users are exempt from answering Forced questions when logging in as a:

Reviewer  
 Editor  
 Publisher

Questions can be included on the Transmittal Form, if desired. To include a question on the Transmittal Form, check the box. You may also enter Help Text which would be accessible from the Transmittal Form.

Transmittal Form

Include on Transmittal Form:

Transmittal Form Help Text:

NOTE: Transmittal Scripts must be modified to pick up all new registration questions and answer fields if the question is marked 'Include on Transmittal Form' on the Add/Edit Custom Registration Question page.

Once questions have been added, the list of questions is displayed on the Create Custom Registration Questions page. You may click the 'Edit' link to hide the question, or change the parameters. If a question is hidden, the text is suppressed on all user-facing pages. Not only are questions hidden for new registrations and/or logins, but the question AND answer (if it has already been answered) are also both suppressed on the Update My Information and Search People – Update Information pages. If a question is hidden, the question and answer are also hidden on the Transmittal Form.

### Registration Questions

**Required Questions**

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Please respond to the question(s) below by checking the box(s) and clicking Continue:

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\* I have read and understand the Registered User Agreement and agree to be bound by all of its terms.

\* I have read and understand the Privacy policy and agree to be bound by all of its terms.

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## Expedited Reviewer Login

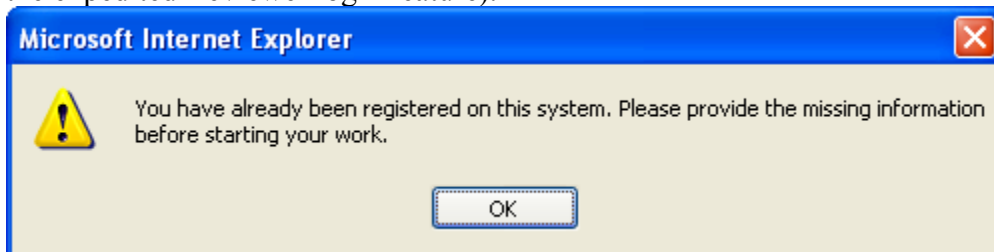
In EM version 4.0 and below, users who are Proxy Registered (registered by an Editor or staff) are forced to update and/or confirm their complete personal information the first time they log in to the system. This can be cumbersome for a Reviewer who is simply trying to agree to or decline a review assignment, and in some cases, the additional information that a Proxy Registered user is required to provide is not necessary for someone who will only be performing Reviewer tasks.

The administrator can define a separate (abridged) set of required registration fields applicable only to Reviewers logging in after being Proxy Registered. The purpose of having different required registration fields for Reviewers is to make working with the system as simple as possible for Reviewers.

As some journals may not wish to allow the Expedited Reviewer Login, the feature is controlled on a new PolicyManager page.

NOTE: If all required fields are populated during the Proxy Registration process, the Reviewer will proceed directly to the Reviewer Main Menu when he logs in. If one or more required fields are not filled in, the Reviewer will be forced to enter the missing fields when he logs in.

When a Reviewer who has been proxy registered logs into the system for the first time, the following alert is displayed (if required information is missing). Note this alert is displayed for all users logging into the system for the first time (i.e. it is independent of the expedited Reviewer login feature).



When the user clicks 'OK', he may be asked journal-specific Registration Questions before being able to continue:

### Registration Questions

**Required Questions**

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Please respond to the question(s) below by checking the box(s) and clicking Continue:

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\* I have read and understand the Registered User Agreement and agree to be bound by all of its terms.

\* I have read and understand the Privacy policy and agree to be bound by all of its terms.

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Once the questions are answered, the User proceeds to the Update My Information page, where he must fill in all required fields.

### Update My Information

To update any information, make the changes on the form and click Update. Required fields have an asterisk next to the label.

[Insert Special Character](#)

**Institution Related Information**

Institution \*

Zip or Postal Code \*

Country \*

Address is for \*  Work  Home  Other

If he clicks the 'Proceed' button without filling in all required fields, the following error notice is displayed. The user must return to the Update My Information page and enter the missing information.

**ERROR NOTICE**

**Required Fields Missing**

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Your telephone number was not entered.  
Your zip or postal code was not entered.

Please use the button below to go back to the Previous Page and enter the missing information

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For the purposes of this example, let us assume that the journal office has enabled the Expedited Reviewer Login feature in PolicyManager, and has specified the typical configuration that 'Telephone Number', 'Institution' and 'State' are required fields for expedited Reviewer login (in addition to the system-required fields which cannot be made optional).

- Preferred Name
- Telephone Number
- Fax Number
- Secondary Telephone Number
- Secondary Telephone Number is for
- E-mail Address (only if Preferred Method of Contact is E-mail)
- Preferred Method of Contact
- Position
- Institution
- Department

The journal Proxy Registers Ronnie Reviewer, but does not fill in Telephone Number, State or Institution. Ronnie is assigned a Reviewer Role, and is immediately invited to review a submission.

NOTE: It is advisable that the Editor proxy registering the Reviewer check the box 'Default Login Role: Reviewer', thus reducing the likelihood that a Reviewer mistakenly logs in as an Author by clicking 'Enter' (and is therefore forced to the full Update My Information page).

**Proxy Registration**

Please enter key information about the person you are registering.

**User Information** [Insert Special Character](#)

Reviewer Role \*

Default Login Role: Reviewer

**Personal Information** [Insert Special Character](#)

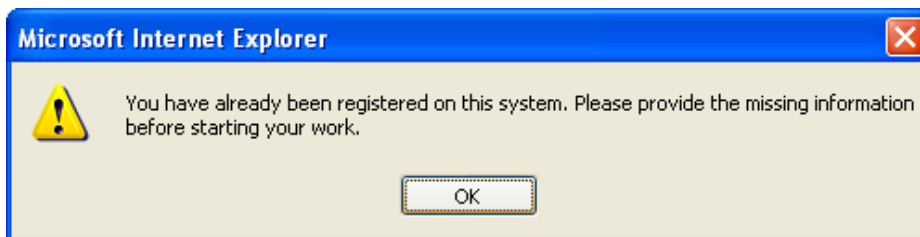
Title  (Mr., Mrs., Dr., etc.)

First Name \*

Middle Name

Last Name \*

Ronnie receives a letter from the journal office indicating that he has been Proxy Registered, and has been invited to review (perhaps in a separate e-mail). Ronnie goes to the journal's URL and logs in as a Reviewer using the Username and Password sent to him by the journal office. He sees the alert and clicks 'OK'.



Ronnie then proceeds to a 'mini' Update My Information page, where Telephone Number, Institution and State are the only items displayed. Ronnie must complete this information before proceeding with the login.

**Update My Information**

To update any information, make the changes on the form and click Update. Required fields have an asterisk next to the label.

**Personal Information** [Insert Special Character](#)

Primary Phone \*  (including country code)

**Institution Related Information** [Insert Special Character](#)

Institution \*

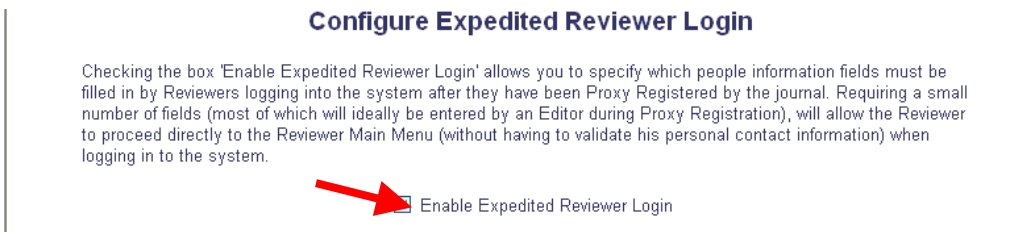
State or Province \*

NOTE: If all of the required fields for expedited Reviewer login are filled in before the user logs in for the first time, he will proceed directly to the Reviewer Main Menu.

NOTE: There is no change in behavior for Authors, Editors and Publishers logging into the system after being proxy registered. The expedited login applies to people logging in with a Reviewer Role only.

NOTE: If a user's first login is via a Reviewer deep link (URL provided in the body of an e-mail which takes the user directly to the appropriate Reviewer page), the user will proceed directly to the appropriate Accept Invitation or Decline Invitation page. The user is not required to verify their personal information until the next time they log into the system.

TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, then to Registration and Login Policies and click on the link labeled 'Configure Expedited Reviewer Login'. The first step is to check the box 'Enable Expedited Reviewer Login'.



The second step is to select the fields you would like to require Reviewers to fill in when they login after being Proxy Registered by the journal office.



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## Enhanced Security

### Password Encryption

EM now has additional security and limited visibility for the Usernames and Passwords used to access the Editorial Manager system. In versions 4.0 and below, Passwords are visible to any Editor who has access to General Data Export and Custom Reports. Passwords are also visible to any Editor who has both 'Search People' and 'View Username and Password RoleManager' permissions. Additionally, Passwords can be included in e-mails using the merge field %PASSWORD% or %BLINDED\_PASSWORD%.

The following potential security risks are addressed by this enhancement:

1. An Editor with full Reports permission can access Passwords via Custom Reports and General Data Export.
2. An e-mail containing a Password could be sent to another user using the 'cc' function in many EM Letters.
3. An Editor with 'Search People' permission could change their Editor Role to another Editor Role that has System Administration permission, and access RoleManager to enable 'View Username and Password RoleManager' permission for himself. Note that this is a rare occurrence, because the Editor Role cannot be changed while the Editor has current assignments.
4. An Editor with 'Search People' permission can change another user's e-mail address, in order to receive that person's 'Send Username and Password' e-mail.
5. An Editor with 'Proxy as Editor' permission could proxy as someone with 'View Username and Password RoleManager' permission to access Passwords.
6. An Editor with Proxy permission could proxy as another user and access that user's Update My Information page to access the Password.

The security concerns are addressed with the following enhancements:

1. A new setting at the hosting administration level determines whether Password Encryption is enabled for the journal (i.e. this is determined outside of Editorial Manager).
2. Bi-directional Encryption is used to store and retrieve Passwords in the system. This allows certain functions to decrypt Passwords at the application level, while keeping Passwords encrypted in the database.
3. If encryption is enabled, all Passwords will be displayed as asterisks and will always display with the same number of asterisks (8), no matter the length of the actual Password. This means that if a user (Editor Role) has access to Passwords via any of the methods described above, they will not be able to see the actual Passwords. However, appropriate functionality will decrypt the Password for appropriate use.
4. If encryption is enabled, when a user changes a Password (e.g. Update My Information or Search People – Update Information), the characters will display as asterisks. The actual characters will never display. A new 'Confirm Password'

function forces the user to type the Password twice when the Password is being changed, to ensure that there was no mistyping by the user.

5. The system is enhanced to automatically blind the username and password on ALL versions of an e-mail except for the e-mail that goes to the primary recipient. This means that those cc'd on an e-mail will see a blinded Password AND Username.

Note that Password Encryption includes a lot of complex technical ‘behind-the-scenes’ logic, but remains largely transparent to users. If encryption is enabled for the journal, users would see asterisks - instead of the actual characters – wherever passwords are displayed in the system. A few examples are shown below.

NOTE: Journal staff (with appropriate RoleManager permission) can change another person’s password on the Search People – Update Information page, even though he cannot see the actual password. There is also a Re-type Password function, which is activated when the user begins typing in the Password field.

**SEARCH PEOPLE - UPDATE INFORMATION**

To update any information, make the changes on the form and click Update. Required fields have an asterisk next to the label.

**User Information**

The username you choose must be unique within the system. If the one you choose is already in use, you will be asked for another.

**User Name \*** HACKMAN

**Password \*** .....

**Re-type Password \*** .....

[Insert Special Character](#)

NOTE: If Password Encryption is not enabled for the journal, Editor Roles would continue to see the actual password, and the Re-type Password feature is suppressed.

Passwords are also displayed on the Update My Information page. If Password Encryption is enabled for the journal, the user would see asterisks in the Password field, but can still change the Password, if desired. Just like the Search People – Update Information page, the Re-Type Password field is displayed if Password Encryption is enabled for the journal.

**UPDATE MY INFORMATION**

To update any information, make the changes on the form and click Update. Required fields have an asterisk next to the label.

**Login Information**

The username you choose must be unique within the system. If the one you choose is already in use, you will be asked for another.

**User Name \*** HACKMAN

**Password \*** .....

**Re-type Password \*** .....

[Insert Special Character](#)

NOTE: If Password Encryption is not enabled for the journal, users continue to see the actual password, and the Re-type Password feature is suppressed.



All letters (whether or not Encryption is Enabled) that include Passwords (%PASSWORD% or %BLINDED\_PASSWORD% merge fields) will display the actual (unencrypted) Password for the letter recipient (i.e. password is never blinded for the letter recipient).

In order to support password blinding, the %PASSWORD% merge field will no longer merge for Preview Letter, Author Decision Letter, or Custom Letter. Hosting partners will ensure that Password is only included in desired letters via administrative policies and procedures.

Passwords included in Correspondence History (View Letter) will be displayed as asterisks, whether or not the journal has Password Encryption enabled. This is a general added security measure that is beneficial to all journals.

NOTE: It is not possible to encrypt passwords for letter contents that were sent prior to the journal upgrading to version 5.0.

### **Increased Security in Proxy Mode**

As an additional security measure, Editors operating in proxy mode will no longer have access to select administrative functions while in proxy mode. The following functions are inaccessible to Editors operating in proxy mode:

1. System Administrator Functions
2. Search People Functions
  - View/Change Username and Password
  - Change E-mail Address
  - Change Preferred Method of Contact
  - Change Editor Role Designation
  - Inactivate Users
  - Merge Duplicate Users
  - View People Activity Details
  - View People Notes
  - Edit People Notes
  - View People URLs
  - Edit People URLs
3. Update My Information

In the current version of the system, Username and Password can be exposed to a user who has been cc'd on an e-mail that contains a Username and a Password (either the %PASSWORD% or %BLINDED\_PASSWORD% merge field). For example, when inviting a Reviewer, the Editor can elect to cc other users on the Reviewer Invitation e-mail. If the Reviewer Invitation e-mail includes the merge fields for Username and Password, then anyone cc'd on the e-mail will see the Username and Password of the Reviewer.

In 5.0, the system is enhanced to automatically blind the username and password on ALL versions of the e-mail except for the e-mail that goes to the primary recipient. This applies to letters associated with all ActionManager events. Note that this is slightly different than simply displaying the encrypted Password; for cc'd e-mails, all other recipients will see a blinded Password AND Username. Note this feature applies to all journals; not just those with Password Encryption enabled.

When the user sends the e-mail, before the merge fields are populated, the merge fields %USERNAME% and %PASSWORD% (or %BLINDED\_USERNAME% and %BLINDED\_PASSWORD%) should be replaced by 8 asterisks in all 'cc' versions of the e-mail. (Note that the blinded versions of the merge fields are actually short phrases that include the Username and Password.). All Usernames and Passwords will be displayed as asterisks and will always display with the same number of asterisks (8) no matter the length of the actual Username or Password.

#### TO CONFIGURE PASSWORD ENCRYPTION:

All passwords are encrypted at time of upgrade. However, the policy at the publisher level (i.e. outside of Editorial Manager) will determine whether or not passwords are displayed in Editorial Manager. No further configuration is required in Editorial Manager.

### Send Username/Password Options

In EM version 4.0 and below, if the user forgets his Username and/or Password, he can click the [Send Username/Password](#) link on the Login page. After entering First Name, Last Name and E-mail Address, the system will automatically send the user an e-mail containing the Username and Password (IF the system finds a match, and IF the journal has configured a letter containing both of these merge fields).

**ACCOUNT FINDER**

Enter your first name, last name and e-mail address in the provided boxes. If an account exists with this e-mail address, your Username and Password will be e-mailed to you.

Please Enter The Following [Insert Special Character](#)

First Name\*

Last Name\*

E-mail Address\*

Journals now have the option of configuring a more secure method (i.e. not sending username and password in the same e-mail), whereby the user who has forgotten his password would click the 'Send Password' link on the Login page. After entering Username and E-mail Address, the system will automatically send the user an e-mail containing the Password (if the system finds a match on both username and e-mail address, and if the journal has configured a letter containing the password merge field).

NOTE: It is up to the journal to ensure that the letter associated with the 'Forgot Username or Password' event in ActionManager includes password (and not username).

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If the letter includes both the username and password merge fields, the letter sent to the user would include both username and password.

NOTE: With the 'Send Password Only' implementation, the user would have to contact customer support outside of the system if he also forgot his username.

**ACCOUNT FINDER**

Enter your username and e-mail address in the provided boxes. If an account exists with this username and e-mail address, your password will be e-mailed to you.

Please Enter The Following [Insert Special Character](#)

Username\*

E-mail Address\*

TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, then to the Registration and Login Policies section, click the 'Select Send Username or Password Option' link, and select the desired option.

**Send Username or Password Option**

Users attempting to login to the system may forget their Username and/or Password.

- If 'Send Username/Password' is selected, there is an action link displayed on the Login page entitled 'Send Username/Password'. If the user forgot his Username and/or Password, he would click this link, and enter First Name, Last Name, and E-mail Address. If the system finds a match, the person's Username and Password will be e-mailed to the E-mail Address in the system.
- If 'Send Password Only' is enabled, the action link 'Send Password' replaces the 'Send Username/Password' link on the Login page. If the user forgot his Password, he would click this link, and enter Username and E-mail Address. If the system finds a match, the person's Password will be e-mailed to the E-mail Address in the system. If the user forgot both the Username and Password, he must contact customer support outside of the system.

Send Username/Password

Send Password Only

## More Secure Permissions for Editing People Data

New Editor RoleManager permissions let journals have greater control over the permissions granted for editing people information (e.g. Change E-mail Address, View/Change Username and Password, Change Preferred Method of Contact and Change Role Designation). The 'Search People' permission has been expanded to include the following 'sub-permissions':

1. The existing 'View Username and Password on Search People Page' permission is renamed 'View/Change Username and Password'. This permission is indented beneath the 'Search People' permission, and is disabled (grayed out) unless 'Search People' is enabled.

2. 'Change E-mail Address' – If this permission is not enabled, an Editor with 'Search People' permission cannot change an e-mail address on another person's people record. This safeguards against an Editor changing the e-mail to his own e-mail address, which would allow that Editor to receive the Forgot Username and Password e-mail.
3. 'Change Preferred Method of Contact' – If this permission is not enabled, the Editor cannot change another person's Preferred Method of Contact. This would prevent the Editor from redirecting e-mail to the "Non-E-Mail Preferred Method of Contact Correspondence E-Mail Address".
4. 'Change Editor Role Designation' – If this permission is not enabled, the Editor cannot change another person's Editor Role. This would prevent an Editor from changing his own Role to that of an Editor with broader permissions.

NOTE: At time of upgrade, users with 'Search People' already enabled will automatically have the sub-permissions enabled. This is to ensure that we do not take away functionality that Editors with 'Search People' permission currently have.

NOTE: Since all of the new permissions are performed on the Search People – Update Information page, the sub-permissions are disabled (grayed out) unless the 'Search People' permission is enabled.

- Viewing and Editing People Data
  - Search People
    - View/Change Username and Password
    - Change E-mail Address
    - Change Preferred Method of Contact
    - Change Editor Role Designation

## Multiple E-mail Address Request

Some publications have reported that some users are not receiving key e-mails from the Editorial Manager system. For example, some Reviewers are not receiving Reviewer Invitation e-mails from the system. These e-mails may be getting trapped in SPAM filters, and are therefore not reaching the intended destination.

A new SPAM information warning next to the e-mail address field on all people data pages (New User Registration, Proxy Registration, Search People-Update Information, Update My Information and Alternate Contact Information), strongly urges users to enter a second e-mail address. If, for some reason, the system e-mails get caught in a SPAM filter for one e-mail address, the user should receive the e-mail at a secondary e-mail address from a different service provider (e.g. Yahoo, AOL, etc.).

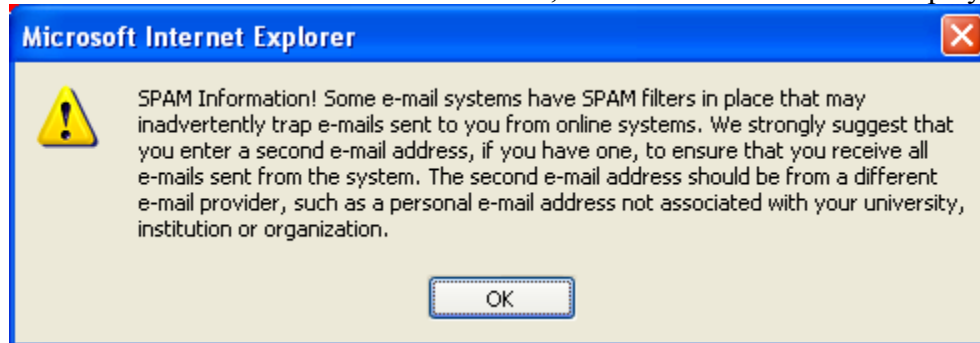
NOTE: For any user who already has more than one e-mail address entered in their people record, all e-mails are already going to all e-mail addresses. While this feature does not “SPAM-proof” e-mails coming from the system, it does mitigate the likelihood of e-mails not reaching the intended recipient.

The new SPAM information warning is displayed on the following pages:

1. New User Registration
2. Proxy Registration
3. Search People-Update Information
4. Update My Information and Alternate Contact Information



When the user clicks the ‘Read more’ link, additional information is displayed:



TO CONFIGURE: No configuration is required.

## User Defined Fields for Submissions and People

The ability to create customized (user defined) fields associated with submission records or with people records has been added to Editorial Manager.

User Defined Fields might be used for different types of Notes, or for any other purpose deemed appropriate by the publication.

Editors and staff with appropriate permission can create new fields, and also indicate whether these fields are viewable and/or editable on relevant EM pages, and/or are included on the Transmittal Form.

User defined Submission Fields and People Fields may serve a dual purpose:

- Supports the creation of customized submission-related and people-related database fields, which can be populated by manually entering (typing, or cutting and pasting) information directly into EM (e.g. birthdates, supplemental people notes fields, etc.).
- Allows “carry over” of submission-related and people-related data from a legacy system that does not necessarily fit into the EM database structure (e.g. Legacy Reviewer Statistics, Legacy People Notes, List of Reviewers, etc.). This information could be populated manually in EM, or loaded into EM as part of the system conversion process. Note: This would be arranged separately between the journal and Aries.

If the journal has configured user-defined people fields (and the Editor or journal staff has appropriate RoleManager permission(s)), the ‘Additional People Details’ button is displayed on the Search People – Update Information page.

Self-Registered:  
10/07/2003

Last Modified:  
Wed Mar 8 15:42:46 EST 2006

Inactivate this User

Available as a Reviewer? Yes  No

Board Member? Yes  No

Forbidden as a Reviewer? Yes  No

Reviewer Role \* Reviewer

Publisher Role \* None

Editorial Role \* Editor-in-Chief

Editor Description

Activity Details

Additional People Details

Clicking the ‘Additional People Details’ button opens a new pop-up window, where the user can view the Additional People Details fields. If the user has permission to change the values, and PolicyManager states that the field is editable, the user can modify the values. Note the different field types available.

## Edit Additional People Detail Field

**Field Description:** [Insert Special Character](#)  
  
*Maximum 256 characters*

**Field Type:**   
  
Text  
Date  
Integer  
Decimal  
Notes  
List

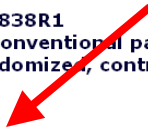
**Maximum Field Length:**   
*(enter value below)*

**Default Value for Field:**   
*If 'None' is selected, an empty text box will appear if the checkbox 'Editable' is checked in the grid below.*

User-defined people fields are also available on the People Activity Details page.

User defined submission fields are very similar to User defined people fields, except that the custom fields are associated with submissions, instead of with people records. User defined submission fields are accessible from a new 'Additional Manuscript Details' button on the Manuscript Details page.

**Details for Manuscript Number JBJS-D-03-00838R1**  
**"Handheld computer-assisted documentation compared with conventional paper chart documentation of medical records on an orthopedic ward: A randomized, controlled trial"**



[Manuscript Notes](#) [Editors](#) [Reviewers](#) [Alternate Reviewers](#)

Dr. Dirk Stengel

Clicking the 'Additional Manuscript Details' button opens the new Additional Manuscript Details page.

**Additional Manuscript Details for Manuscript Number JBJS-D-03-00838**  
**"Handheld computer-assisted documentation compared with conventional paper chart documentation of medical records on an orthopedic ward: A randomized, controlled trial"**

**Special Office Notes**

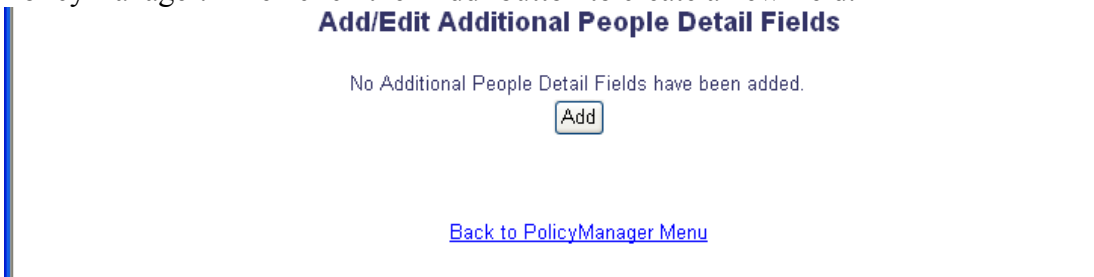
**New Manuscript Field**  [Help](#)

The Additional Manuscript Detail Fields are also displayed/editable (according to PolicyManager) on the Transmittal Form.

TO CONFIGURE USER DEFINED PEOPLE FIELDS: A new section called ‘Additional Data Policies’ is added to PolicyManager.

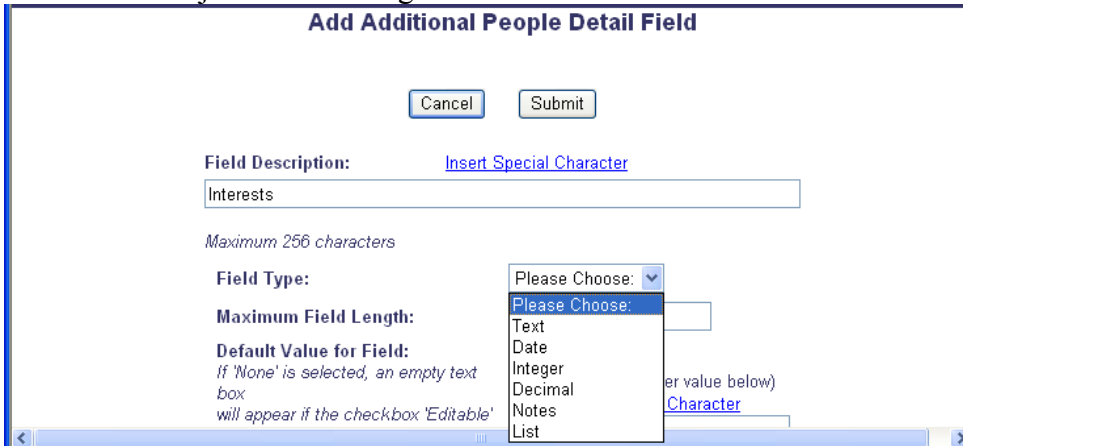


To create Additional People Detail Fields, click the link of the same name in PolicyManager. Then click the ‘Add’ button to create a new field.



Enter a Field Description, and then choose a Field Type. Most of the field types are self-explanatory. However, there are two new field types: ‘List’ and ‘Notes’. Special configuration for ‘List’ is described further below.

NOTE: This is just like creating custom metadata fields for the Transmittal Form.



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After you have selected a Field Type, enter the Maximum Field Length. The Maximum Field Length dictates how large the text box will appear on the user-facing pages.

NOTE: The allowable value for Maximum Field Length varies, depending on the Field Type:

- Text = 200 characters
- Notes = 20,000 characters
- Date, Integer, Decimal = maximum does not apply

The next step is to specify a default value for the field. If you do not want users to see a default value, leave 'None' selected. If you want users to see a default value, select 'Single Value' and enter the default value in the text box.

Field Type:

Maximum Field Length:   
(A value from 1 to 200)

Default Value for Field:  
If 'None' is selected, an empty text box will appear if the checkbox 'Editable' is checked in the grid below.

None  
 Single Value (enter value below)  
[Insert Special Character](#)

You must now specify the pages on which the field will be displayed, and enter any Help Text (optional) that would be available to the user on that page.

- Checking the 'Hide' checkbox suppresses the field on the specified page.
- Checking the 'Editable' checkbox allows users with 'Edit Additional People Details' RoleManager permission to change the value on the specified page. Note that all fields are read-only on the People Activity Details page; therefore, the 'Editable' checkbox is not applicable.
- Checking the 'Required' checkbox for the Transmittal Form means that the submission cannot be released to production unless the value is filled in. Note that fields are never 'Required' on the Additional People Details or People Activity Details pages.

NOTE: Additional People Detail Fields would not actually be transmitted to a production system unless the transmittal script is updated to pick up the appropriated field(s).

**Options**

Select the 'Hide' checkbox to suppress the field on a particular screen. For example, you may want a field to be displayed on the Additional People Details page, but not on the Transmittal Form. If a field is Editable, users with appropriate RoleManager permission can change the value on the page. If the 'Required' box is checked for the Transmittal Form, a value must be filled in before the submission can be released to production. If Help Text is entered, a 'Help' link is displayed on the appropriate page, which opens a pop-up containing the Help Text.

Page	Hide	Editable	Required	Help Text
Additional People Details	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	
People Activity Details	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	N/A	
Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Cancel Submit

As mentioned previously, there is special logic if 'List' is selected for Field Type. When 'List' is selected the page is refreshed with a 'View/Edit Values for Drop-down List' link. The user can click this link to create a list of values the use would choose from a drop-down menu, instead of typing a value in a text box.

Field Description: [Insert Special Character](#)  
New List Field Type  
Maximum 256 characters  
Field Type: List [View/Edit Values for Drop-down List](#)  
Maximum Field Length: (A value from 1 to 20000)

NOTE: If the journal changes a field from any Field Type to 'List', and there is already a default value configured, that default value will be retained as the default value for the drop-down list. You can then change to another default value, if desired, on the Configure Values for Drop-down List page.

NOTE: If you want to change a 'List' field to another Field Type, you must hide the field and create another one.

On the Configure Values for Drop-down List page, enter the Drop-down Value and Description (optional). You may re-order the items, and select which value should be the

default value when the user sees the drop-down list. If you do not want any default value, 'Please Choose a Value' should be selected (this is what the user would see as the default value).

### Configure Values For Drop-down List

Enter the values to appear in a drop-down list on the pages where the field is displayed. The description will be displayed to the user, but will not be transmitted if the field is included on the Transmittal Form. Entering a Description is optional, and should only be entered if you want it to display (alongside the drop-down value) in the drop-down list.

Please select the default value (which will be pre-selected when the drop-down list is displayed to users):

Display Order	Select Default Value	Drop-down Value	Drop-down Description		
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Please Choose a Value			
<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="radio"/>	List Value 1	First List Value	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="radio"/>	List Value 2	Second List Value	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="radio"/>	List Value 3	Third List Value	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>

[Insert Special Character](#)

Drop-down Value:

Description:   
*Maximum 100 characters*

Once the Additional People Detail Fields have been created, they are listed on the Add/Edit Additional People Detail Fields page. You can change the order in which the fields are displayed on user-facing pages, by changing the order and clicking the 'Update Item Order' button. You can click the 'Edit' link to change the parameters for a particular field, or to Hide a field that should no longer be used.

NOTE: A field can be removed by clicking the [Remove](#) link, as long as it has never been used (i.e. no people records contain a value in the field).

### Add/Edit Additional People Detail Fields

Listed below are the Additional People Detail Fields added for your journal. The values for these fields are entered manually on the Additional People Details page or the Transmittal Form.

Order	Description	Actions
<input type="text" value="1"/>	Hobbies	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>
<input type="text" value="2"/>	Birth Date	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>
<input type="text" value="3"/>	Reviewer Stats from Legacy System	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>
<input type="text" value="4"/>	Ranking	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>

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The final configuration step for user defined people fields is to set the Editor RoleManager permissions. Go to Editor RoleManager and click the 'Edit' link for the appropriate Editor Role. Go to the 'Viewing and Editing People Data' section of Editor RoleManager and check the boxes to enable the Additional People Detail Field permissions.

NOTE: The 'Edit Additional People Details' permission is disabled until the 'View Additional People Details' box is checked.

NOTE: Even if the 'Edit Additional People Details' permission is enabled, the Editor Role cannot modify the values unless the particular field is also marked 'Editable' in the Options Grid in PolicyManager.



TO CONFIGURE USER DEFINED SUBMISSION FIELDS: The configuration is very similar to Additional People Detail Fields. Go to the new Additional Data Policies section in PolicyManager and click the 'Add/Edit Additional Manuscript Detail Fields' link. Click the 'Add' button to create a new field(s).



Fill in all the necessary information, and submit the page. If you choose a 'List' Field Type, be sure to enter the drop-down values on the 'Configure Values for Drop-down List' page. Check the appropriate boxes in the Options Grid, to specify the pages that should display the new field.

### Add Additional Manuscript Detail Field

**Field Description:** [Insert Special Character](#)

Special Notes for Reviewer  
Maximum 256 characters

**Field Type:**

**Maximum Field Length:**   
(A value from 1 to 20000)

**Default Value for Field:**  None  
If 'None' is selected, an empty text box will appear if the checkbox 'Editable' is checked in the grid below.

Single Value (enter value below)  
[Insert Special Character](#)

**Options**  
 Select the 'Hide' checkbox to suppress the field on a particular screen. For example, you may want a field to be displayed on the Additional Manuscript Details page, but not on the Transmittal Form. If a field is Editable, users with appropriate RoleManager permission can change the value on the page. If the 'Required' box is checked for the Transmittal Form, a value must be filled in before the submission can be released to production. If Help Text is entered, a 'Help' link is displayed on the appropriate page, which opens a pop-up containing the Help Text.

Page	Hide	Editable	Required	Help Text
Additional Manuscript Details	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	These are special notes entered by the journal staff for the Reviewer.
Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

The final configuration step for user defined manuscript fields is to set the Editor and Publisher RoleManager permissions. Go to Editor RoleManager and click the 'Edit' link for the appropriate Editor Role. Go to the 'General Searching and Viewing' section of RoleManager and check the boxes to enable the Additional Manuscript Detail Field permissions.

NOTE: The 'Edit Additional Manuscript Details' permission is disabled until the 'View Additional Manuscript Details' box is checked.

NOTE: Even if the 'Edit Additional Manuscript Details' permission is enabled, the Editor Role cannot modify the values unless the particular field is also marked 'Editable' in the Options Grid in PolicyManager.

- View All Submissions
- View Completed Reviews Grid in Main Menu
- View Additional Manuscript Details
- Edit Additional Manuscript Details
- View Notes on Manuscript Details
- Edit Notes on Manuscript Details
- Turn On Manuscript Notes Flaq

Go to Publisher RoleManager and click the 'Edit' link for the appropriate Publisher Role. Go to the 'General Searching and Viewing' section and check the boxes to enable the Additional Manuscript Detail Field permissions.

- [Expand All](#)   [Collapse All](#)
- General Searching and Viewing**
    - View Submission
    - View Manuscript Details
    - View Production Notes on Manuscript Details
    - Edit Production Notes on Manuscript Details
    - View Manuscript Notes on Manuscript Details
    - Edit Manuscript Notes on Manuscript Details
    - View Additional Manuscript Details
    - Edit Additional Manuscript Details
    - Download Source Files

# Submit Manuscript Enhancements

## Submission Step Limits

The Journal Office can now set limits on certain Submission Steps within the Submit Manuscript interface. Authors have visibility to the restrictions on the appropriate manuscript Submission Steps.

All of the additions are configurable by Article Type, and include the following enhancements:

1. Limit size of Full Title by word or character count.
2. Limit size of Short Title by word or character count.
3. Limit size of Abstract by word or character count.
4. Limit size of Comments by word or character count.
5. Limit number of Authors associated with the manuscript.
6. Limit number of Keywords related to the manuscript.
7. Limit number of Classifications associated with the manuscript.

An example of the Abstract submission step with a 500 character limit:

The screenshot shows the 'NEW SUBMISSION' interface. On the left is a sidebar with a list of steps: 'Select Article Type', 'Enter Title', 'Add/Edit/Remove Authors', 'Select Section/Category', 'Submit Abstract' (highlighted with a blue arrow), 'Enter Keywords', and 'Select Classifications'. The main area is titled 'Please Enter Abstract' and contains a red error message: 'Submitting an Abstract is Required for Submission.' Below the message is a text box with the instruction: 'Enter the abstract of your manuscript into the text box below. The abstract may be cut and pasted from a word processing program; however, the formatting will be lost.' A red arrow points to the text box, which has a label 'Limit 500 characters' next to it. A link 'Insert Special Character' is visible in the top right corner.

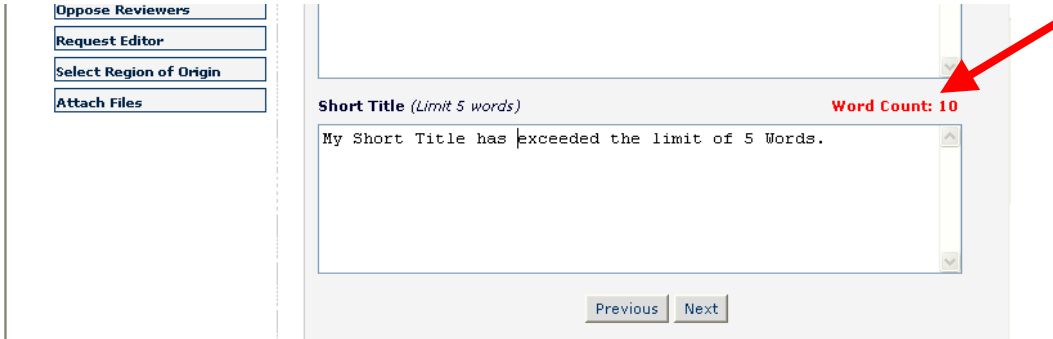
An example of the Select Classifications submission step with a limit of 4 classification terms:

The screenshot shows the 'SELECT MANUSCRIPT CLASSIFICATIONS' interface. On the left is a sidebar with the title 'SELECT MANUSCRIPT CLASSIFICATIONS' and instructions: 'Please identify your manuscript's areas of interest and specialization by selecting one or more classifications from the list below. Click "Submit" at the bottom of the page when you are done.' Below the instructions is a red note: 'You must click "Submit" before you leave this window.' The main area is titled 'Limit 4 Classifications' and contains a table with a list of classification terms. A red arrow points to the table. At the bottom of the table are 'Cancel' and 'Submit' buttons.

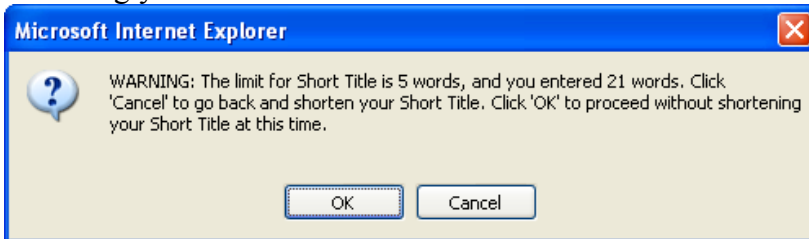
Limit 4 Classifications		
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.100	ADULT
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.110	Adult Disease
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.120	Adult Trauma
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.200	PEDIATRIC
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.210	Pediatric Disease
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.220	Pediatric Trauma
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.300	BASIC SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/>	1.500	RECONSTRUCTION

A dynamic counting feature is added to the four submission steps that allow limits by words or characters: Short Title, Full Title, Abstract, and Comments. The counter is dynamically adjusted as the user enters information into the text boxes for relevant submission steps. It is extremely helpful for the Author to see the word count while he is working, so he can easily identify when the submission information is within the allowable limits.

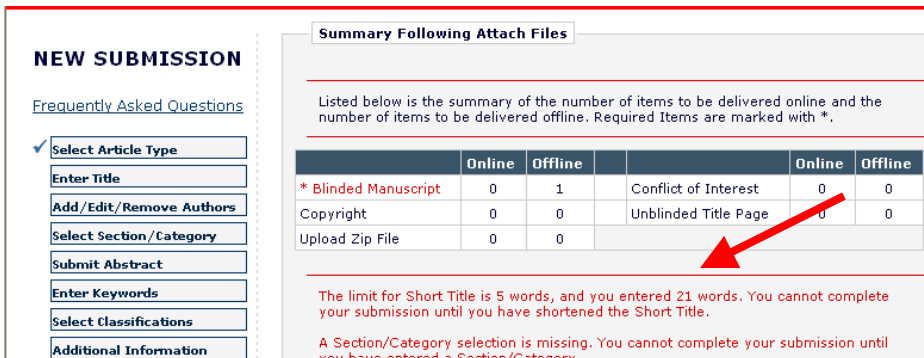
NOTE: The character counter includes spaces and punctuation.



In addition to displaying the field size limit and current word or character count, the user is allowed to type or copy and paste values in excess of the limits into the text boxes, so they can manipulate the data in the system (e.g. pare down a lengthy title to a suitable short title). When the page is submitted (Author clicks 'Next' or selects another submission step), the words/characters are counted, and the Author will be alerted accordingly.



The Author is permitted to proceed to other submission steps, but cannot build the submission PDF until all steps are within the appropriate limits.



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TO CONFIGURE: In PolicyManager, go to the Submission Policies section and click the 'Edit Article Types' link. You may then enter the number of Words or Character limit for the relevant submission steps.

NOTE: If you do not want to impose a limit for a particular submission step(s), simply leave the boxes empty. In the example below, there is no limit for Maximum Number of Authors.

**Field Size Limitations** - Leave blank for no limit on these fields.

Limit the <i>Full Title</i> to:	<input type="text" value="15"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Words <input type="radio"/> Characters
Limit the <i>Short Title</i> to:	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Words <input type="radio"/> Characters
Limit the <i>Abstract</i> to:	<input type="text" value="500"/>	<input type="radio"/> Words <input checked="" type="radio"/> Characters
Limit the <i>Comments</i> to:	<input type="text" value="250"/>	<input type="radio"/> Words <input checked="" type="radio"/> Characters
Maximum Number of Authors:	<input type="text"/>	
Maximum Number of Keywords:	<input type="text" value="7"/>	
Maximum Number of Classifications:	<input type="text" value="4"/>	

## Short Title Submission Field

There is a new submission field that allows the Author to enter a 'Short Title'. If enabled, this field appears on the Enter Title Submission Step.

The publication can specify whether Short Title is Required, Optional or Hidden for manuscript submission (similar to other submission steps). The Short Title field also supports a (optional) limit for the maximum number of words or characters that can be entered.

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Select Article Type

**Enter Title**

[Insert Special Character](#)

**Please Enter The Full Title and Short Title of Your Submission**

Entering Both a Full Title and a Short Title is Required for Submission  
Enter the title of your manuscript. You cannot submit a manuscript without a title.

**Full Title** (Limit 15 words) Word Count: 10  
An Extremely Innovative Research Study on the Growth of Children

**Short Title** (Limit 5 words) Word Count: 4  
An Extremely Innovative Study

Previous Next

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A new merge field, %ARTICLE\_SHORT\_TITLE% allows the Short Title to be included in letters and third party bibliographic searches.

Short Title is also added to Search Submissions selection criteria:

**Search submissions selection criteria**

Create a new Search definition or choose an existing Search definition to Run, Edit, or Remove. You may refine your criteria further on the [Advanced Criteria](#)

Search Definition: Choose Saved Search ▼

Remove Search Definition Edit Search Definition Run Search

Criterion	Selector	Value	
Article Short Title	Contains	growth	AND
Manuscript Number	Contains		END

Short Title is visible on Manuscript Details:

<b>Other Authors:</b>	Reggie Bush, USC  Matt Leinhart, USC 
<b>Short Title:</b>	NFL Draft
<b>Article Type:</b>	Original Study
<b>Keywords:</b>	keyword; fun; draft; football

Short Title is available for inclusion on the Transmittal Form.

Item Description	Value	
Manuscript Number	MT5-046	<a href="#">Help</a>
Revision Number	0	<a href="#">Help</a>
Article Title	NFL Draft is this week	<a href="#">Help</a>
Short Title	NFL Draft	<a href="#">Help</a>

Short Title is also added to the following Custom Report Views:

- Authors & Submissions
- Editors & Submissions
- Reviewers & Submissions
- Manuscript Status History
- Manuscripts & Classifications

Short Title can be selected for display in the results, and is also available in the selection criteria.

- [All Authors](#)
- [Manuscript Number](#)
- [Parent Manuscript Number](#)
- [Unique Document ID](#)
- [Revision Number](#)
- [Article Title](#)
- [Short Title](#)
- [Article Type](#)
- [Section/Category ID Number](#)

**Report - Authors & Submissions View**

Information for selecting Authors & Submissions View Records:

[Help with Searching](#)

Selector	Value
CONTAINS	<input type="text"/> END
CONTAINS	<input type="text"/> END
CONTAINS	<input type="text"/>

Submission Began in ASCENDING order.

Then ORDER BY Date Submission Began in ASCENDING order.

**TO CONFIGURE:** In PolicyManager, go to the Submission Policies section and click the 'Edit Article Types' link. Then click the 'Edit' link for the Article Type you want to configure. If 'Optional' is selected, the Author is not required to enter Short Title (he is still required to enter Full Title). If 'Required' is selected, the Author must enter a Short Title before building the submission PDF. The journal can also select whether the Short Title is included on the PDF cover page by checking the appropriate boxes.

Article Type Parameters	New Submission		Revised Submission		Include on PDF Cover Page	
	Editor/Author	Reviewer	Editor/Author	Reviewer	Editor/Author	Reviewer
Set "Short Title" Preferences:	Hidden	Hidden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Set "Select Section/Category" Preferences:	Optional	Hidden	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Set "Submit Abstract" Preferences:	Required	Hidden	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Set "Enter Keywords" Preferences:	Required	Optional	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Set "Select Classifications" Preferences:	Required	Hidden				

Within Edit Article Type, the journal may also specify a limit for the maximum number of words or characters for Short Title.

**Field Size Limitations** - Leave blank for no limit on these fields.

Limit the *Full Title* to:   Words  Characters

Limit the *Short Title* to:   Words  Characters

Limit the *Abstract* to:   Words  Characters

Limit the *Comments* to:   Words  Characters

Maximum Number of Authors:

Maximum Number of Keywords:

Maximum Number of Classifications:

## **New Submission Step: Suggest/Oppose Reviewers**

In EM version 4.0 and below, Authors may use the general “Comments” Submission Step to suggest preferred Reviewers for their submission, or to identify Reviewers who Authors would prefer not review the submission.

Some publications would like an explicit Submission Step for the Author to suggest potential Reviewers or identify Reviewers who should not review the submission. This is achieved with the following enhancements:

Two new Submission Steps (configurable by Article Type) can be displayed on the Submit Manuscript interface:

- “Suggest Reviewers”
- “Oppose Reviewers”

The publication specifies (on the new “Select Author’s Reviewer Preferences” page) the required fields if the Author is entering a suggested or opposed Reviewer. The journal indicates (on the “Edit Article Type” page) the minimum number of Suggested Reviewers the Author must enter.

Authors are able to enter Reviewer Names, as well as contact information and reasons why the person is being cited, when submitting a new or revised manuscript (according to PolicyManager configuration). This information can be entered in a similar fashion to the existing Add/Edit/Remove Authors submission step.

Editors are able to see the Author’s Reviewer Preferences in a pop-up available from the “Reviewer Selection Summary” page and from the “Select Reviewer” pages in all selection modes. Editors can refer to this information when inviting Reviewers for the submission.

When searching for Reviewers, Editors will see text indicating that the potential Reviewer candidate may possibly be a match with the suggested or opposed Reviewer(s) entered by the Author.

## Suggest Reviewers Submission Step

When suggesting a Reviewer, the Author must fill in all required fields. In the following example, the journal has also specified (on the Edit Article Type page) that a minimum of 2 Reviewers must be suggested for this Article Type. The Author should enter as much information as possible, and click the ‘Add Reviewer’ button.

### NEW SUBMISSION

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- Select Article Type
- Enter Title
- Add/Edit/Remove Authors
- Select Section/Category
- Submit Abstract
- Enter Keywords
- Select Classifications
- Additional Information
- Enter Comments
- Suggest Reviewers**
- Oppose Reviewers
- Request Editor
- Select Region of Origin
- Attach Files

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**Suggest Reviewers**

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Suggesting 2 reviewer(s) is Required for Submission.

Please suggest potential reviewers for this submission.

Use the fields below to give us contact information for each suggested reviewer, and please provide specific reasons for your suggestion in the comments box for each person. Please note that the journal may not use your suggestions, but your help is appreciated and may speed up the selection of appropriate reviewers.

A \* indicates a required field.

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First Name\*

Middle Initial

Last Name\*

Academic Degree(s)

Position

Department

Institution

E-mail Address

Reason

Sam is a leading researcher in this field. and would serve as an excellent reviewer.

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Academic Degree	Institution	E-mail Address	Action
Betty		Johnson	MD	Yale University	betty@yale.edu	<a href="#">Remove</a> <a href="#">Edit</a>

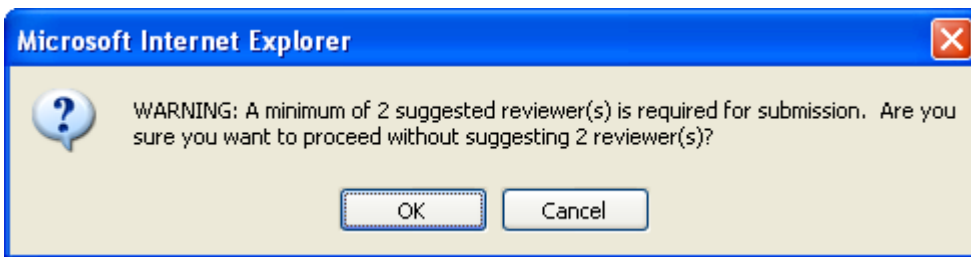
If the Author makes a mistake and wants to remove a suggested reviewer, he would click the ‘Remove’ link.

If the Author wants to change the information entered for a suggested reviewer, he would click the ‘Edit’ link and update the information.

If the user tries to proceed to another submission step without filling in all required fields, the following alert is displayed.



If the user tries to proceed to another submission step without entering the minimum number of required suggested reviewers, the following alert is displayed.



If the user doesn't fill in all required fields and/or enter the minimum number of suggested reviewers, he cannot build the submission PDF until the minimum has been entered.

### NEW SUBMISSION

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

- Select Article Type
- Enter Title
- Add/Edit/Remove Authors
- Select Section/Category
- Submit Abstract
- Enter Keywords
- Select Classifications
- Additional Information

**Summary Following Attach Files**

Listed below is the summary of the number of items to be delivered online and the number of items to be delivered offline. Required Items are marked with \*.

	Online	Offline		Online	Offline
* Blinded Manuscript	0	3	Conflict of Interest	0	0
Copyright	0	0	Unblinded Title Page	0	0
Upload Zip File	0	0			

Required information is missing for the Suggest Reviewers step. Please go back to this step and enter the required information before building your submission PDF.

A minimum of 2 suggested reviewer(s) is required. Please go back and suggest 2 reviewer(s) before building your submission PDF.

## Oppose Reviewers Submission Step

The Oppose Reviewers submission step is similar to the Suggest Reviewers step, except that there is no setting for the minimum number of Opposed Reviewers.

### NEW SUBMISSION

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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[Insert Special Character](#)

#### Oppose Reviewers

Please identify anyone who you would prefer not to review this manuscript.

Fill in as much contact information as possible to allow us to identify the person in our records, and please provide specific reasons why each person should **not** review your submission in their comments box. Please note that we may need to use a reviewer that you identify here, but will try to accommodate author's wishes when we can.

A \* indicates a required field.

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First Name\*

Middle Initial

Last Name\*

Academic Degree(s)

Position

Department

Institution

E-mail Address\*

Reason for Opposing\*

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Academic Degree	Institution	E-mail Address	Action
Gene		Hackman	M.D.	The Ultimate Medical Journal	slavelle@ariessys.com	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>

Editors have access to suggested and opposed reviewers on the Reviewer Selection Summary via the 'Author's Reviewer Preferences' link.

### REVIEWER SELECTION SUMMARY - SUBMISSION STACEYTEST50-D-06-00006

#### "VERY IMPORTANT ARTICLE."

Author's Reviewer Preferences
Manuscript Details

This Submission will move to the 'Submissions with Required Reviews Complete' folder as soon as 2 [\[Change\]](#) review(s) have been completed. Automatically un-invite Reviewers who do not respond within 0 [\[Change\]](#) day(s). Set this number to 0 to turn off the automatic un-invitation process for this submission.

#### Invited Reviewers

Search My Journal  from

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Clicking the ‘Author’s Reviewer Preferences’ link opens a pop-up window with the Suggest/Oppose Reviewers information.

**AUTHOR'S REVIEWER PREFERENCES**

**Suggested Reviewers**

Henry James MD  
Harvard University  
henry@harvard.edu

I think this is a good candidate.

Hailey Bell  
hailey@harvard.edu

**Opposed Reviewers**

Henry Hudson  
Yale University  
henry@edmgr.com

The Editor can also see on the Reviewer selection pages that an Author has suggested or opposed a Reviewer.

NOTE: This is based on an exact match of First and Last Name only. If Henry James is registered in EM as ‘H. James’, or ‘Hank James’, he would not be located as a possible suggested reviewer match with the name ‘Henry James’.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Henry James, Ph.D.</a> (Reviewer)	No		Reviews in Progress: 0 Completed Reviews: 0 Un-invited After Agreeing: 0 Terminated After Agreeing: 0 Last Review Agreed: - Last Review Completed: - Last Review Declined: - Avg Days Outstanding: 0 Manuscript Rating: 0 Reviewer Rating: 0	Outstanding Invitat Agreed: Declined: Un-invited: Terminated: Total Invitations:
	Author may have suggested this reviewer				
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Michelle A. James,</a>	No	0 Class matches with MS	Reviews in Progress: 0 Completed Reviews: 8	Outstanding Invitat Agreed:

TO CONFIGURE: In PolicyManager, go to the Submission Policies section and click the ‘Edit Article Types’ link. Then click the ‘Edit’ link for the Article Type you want to configure. Select ‘Display’ to activate these submission steps. The journal can also select whether the suggested/opposed Reviewers are included on the PDF cover page by checking the appropriate boxes.

NOTE: The journal can effectively make these steps ‘required’ by specifying required fields on the Select Author’s Reviewer Preferences page.



Article Type Parameters	New Submission	Revised Submission	Include on PDF Cover Page	
			Editor/Author	Reviewer
Set "Short Title" Preferences:	Required ▾	Required ▾	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set "Select Section/Category" Preferences:	Required ▾	Hidden ▾	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Set "Submit Abstract" Preferences:	Required ▾	Hidden ▾	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Set "Enter Keywords" Preferences:	Required ▾	Optional ▾	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Set "Select Classifications" Preferences:	Required ▾	Hidden ▾		
Set "Additional Information" Preferences:	Display ▾	Hidden ▾		
Set "Enter Comments" Preferences:	Required ▾	Optional ▾		
Set "Suggest Reviewers" Preferences:	Hidden ▾	Hidden ▾	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set "Oppose Reviewers" Preferences:	Hidden ▾	Hidden ▾	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set "Respond to Reviewers" Preferences:	Hidden	Hidden ▾	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

On the Edit Article Type page, you may also specify the minimum number of Reviewers the Author must suggest when submitting a manuscript with this Article Type. If you do not want to require a minimum number, leave the value set to 0.

### Edit Article Type

**Article Type:**   
Maximum Article Type name is 40 characters.

**Family:** Regular

**Hide** When you **Hide** an Article Type, the Article Type will be deactivated (not available for new or revised manuscripts).

Allow file uploads from Los Alamos arXiv server

<b>Author Parameters</b>	<b>First Revision</b>	<b>Subsequent Revisions</b>	
Number of days Author has to Revise Submission:	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="8"/>	<small>Set this value to zero if you do not want to use Revision Due Dates.</small>

Authors must suggest a minimum of  Reviewers when submitting their manuscripts.

The next configuration step is to specify which fields are required when Authors suggest or oppose reviewers. To do this, go to PolicyManager, Submission Policies, and click on the Select Author's Reviewer Preferences link. The First and Last Name are always required. If the Author decides to suggest or oppose a reviewer, he cannot build the submission PDF without filling in all of the required fields.

## SELECT AUTHOR'S REVIEWER PREFERENCES

You may ask Authors to suggest preferred Reviewers when submitting a manuscript (Suggest Reviewers). You may also ask Authors to indicate Reviewers who should not review the submission due to conflict of interest or bias (Oppose Reviewers). All of the fields below are displayed for the Suggest Reviewer and Oppose Reviewer submission steps. However, you can specify which fields are required for Authors to fill in, by checking the boxes below. First and Last Name are always required when suggesting or opposing Reviewers. You must then go to the 'Edit Article Type' page and set the step(s) to 'Display' for the appropriate Article Types. You may also specify a minimum number of suggested Reviewers on the Edit Article Type page.

Suggest Reviewers	Oppose Reviewers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Name	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Name
<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Name	<input type="checkbox"/> Middle Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Last Name	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Last Name
<input type="checkbox"/> Degree	<input type="checkbox"/> Degree
<input type="checkbox"/> Position	<input type="checkbox"/> Position
<input type="checkbox"/> Department	<input type="checkbox"/> Department
<input type="checkbox"/> Institution	<input type="checkbox"/> Institution
<input type="checkbox"/> Email	<input type="checkbox"/> Email
<input type="checkbox"/> Reason	<input type="checkbox"/> Reason

The last step of configuration is to customize the instructions that Authors will see for the Suggest Reviewers and Oppose Reviewers submission steps. In PolicyManager, go to the Submission Policies section and click the 'Edit Manuscript Instructions' link. If you do not wish to customize the instructions, the default instructions will be displayed.

<b>Suggest Reviewers</b>  <a href="#">View Default Instructions</a>	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;">                     Please suggest potential reviewers for this submission.&lt;br /&gt;&lt;br /&gt;Use the fields below to give us contact information for each suggested reviewer, and please provide specific reasons for your suggestion in the comments box for each person. Please note that                 </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"><a href="#">Revert to Default Instructions</a></p>	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;">                     Please suggest potential reviewers for this submission.&lt;br /&gt;&lt;br /&gt;Use the fields below to give us contact information for each suggested reviewer, and please provide specific reasons for your suggestion in the comments box for each person. Please note that                 </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"><a href="#">Revert to Default Instructions</a></p>
<b>Oppose Reviewers</b>  <a href="#">View Default Instructions</a>	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;">                     Please identify anyone who you would prefer not to review this manuscript.&lt;br /&gt;&lt;br /&gt;Fill in as much contact information as possible to allow us to identify the person in our records, and please provide specific reasons why each person                 </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"><a href="#">Revert to Default Instructions</a></p>	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;">                     Please identify anyone who you would prefer not to review this manuscript.&lt;br /&gt;&lt;br /&gt;Fill in as much contact information as possible to allow us to identify the person in our records, and please provide specific reasons why each person                 </div> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"><a href="#">Revert to Default Instructions</a></p>

## New Submission Step: Respond to Reviewers

In EM version 4.0 and below, Authors “respond” to Reviewer comments by typing their responses in a Word document (or some other format) and uploading the file as part of the submission. The responses are then built into the PDF, but are not explicitly stored in the database for further viewing in the system.

Some publications would like the Author’s response to Reviewer comments to be explicitly stored in the database instead of solely being built into the PDF. This is achieved with the following enhancements:

A new ‘Respond to Reviewers’ Submission Step (configurable by Article Type) can be displayed on the Submit Revision interface. The Author can click the ‘View Decision Letter’ link to view the decision letter, which includes the blinded comments from each Reviewer. The Author can then respond to each Reviewer’s comments, by typing (or copy and pasting) responses into the text box.

If the ‘Respond to Reviewers’ step is ‘Required’ on the Edit Article Type page, the Author cannot build the revision PDF until text has been entered in the ‘Respond to Reviewers’ text box.

	Online	Offline		Online	Offline
Blinded Author responses (resubmissions only)	0	0	Blinded Manuscript	0	0
* Conflict of Interest	0	0	* Copyright	0	0
* Unblinded Title Page	0	0	Upload Zip File	0	0

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NOTE: The Author’s response to Reviewers is only available for the first revision (R1) or greater (R2, R3, etc).

The Author has access to his own responses to Reviewer Comments in the “Revisions Being Processed” and “Submissions With Decision” folders.

Reviewers with appropriate RoleManager permission will have access to the (blinded) responses to all Reviewers on the “View Reviewer Comments” and “View Decision Letter” pages.

NOTE: The Reviewer must have permission, and he must have reviewed the previous version of the manuscript.

	Original Submission
(Reviewer 1)	<a href="#">A</a>
Henry J. Mankin, M.D. (Reviewer 2)	<a href="#">B</a>
(Reviewer 3)	<a href="#">C</a>
(Reviewer 4)	<a href="#">B</a>
Author Decision Letter	<a href="#">B-Revise</a>
Author	<a href="#">Response to Reviewers</a>

Editors will have access to the Author’s responses to Reviewers on the “View Reviewer and Editor Comments” page (renamed “View Reviews and Comments” in this specification), and the “Submit Editor’s Decision and Comments” page. Further, the existing “View Reviewer and Editor Comments” action link in Editor folders is renamed “View Reviews and Comments”, to reflect the additional information available on this page.

TO CONFIGURE: In PolicyManager, go to the Submission Policies section and click the ‘Edit Article Types’ link. Then click the ‘Edit’ link for the Article Type you want to configure. If ‘Optional’ is selected, the Author is not required to respond to the reviewer comments. If ‘Required’ is selected, the Author must respond to the reviewer comments before building the revised submission PDF. The journal can also select whether the Author Response is included on the PDF cover page by checking the appropriate boxes.

NOTE: The Respond to Reviewers submission step cannot be displayed for new submissions (since there are no reviewer comments at that time).

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Set "Enter Keywords" Preferences:	Required	Optional	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Set "Select Classifications" Preferences:	Required	Hidden		
Set "Additional Information" Preferences:	Display	Hidden		
Set "Enter Comments" Preferences:	Required	Optional		
Set "Suggest Reviewers" Preferences:	Optional	Hidden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set "Oppose Reviewers" Preferences:	Optional	Hidden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set "Respond to Reviewers" Preferences:	Hidden	Hidden	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Set "Request Editor" Preferences:	Required	Optional		
Set "Select Region of Origin" Preferences:	Required	Hidden	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

The next step of configuration is to customize the instructions that Authors will see for the Respond to Reviewers submission step. In PolicyManager, go to the Submission Policies section and click the 'Edit Manuscript Instructions' link. If you do not wish to customize the instructions, the default instructions will be displayed.

<p><b>Respond to Reviewers</b></p> <p><a href="#">View Default Instructions</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Revert to Default Instructions</a></p>	<p>Please give your response to specific reviewer and editor comments in the box below. To see the comments, click the "View Decision Letter" link. You may select and copy the comments from there, and paste into the box below.</p> <p><a href="#">Revert to Default Instructions</a></p>
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If you want reviewers to have access to the author's response to reviewer comments, go to the General Permissions section of Reviewer RoleManager and check the box 'View Author's Response to Reviewer Comments'.

NOTE: There are no special RoleManager permissions for Authors or Editors to view the Author's Response.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View Author Decision Letter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input checked="" type="radio"/> View Unblinded Version</li> <li><input type="radio"/> View Blinded Version</li> </ul> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View Other Reviewer's Comments to Author <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> View Other Reviewer's Comments to Editor <input type="checkbox"/> View Author's Response to Reviewer Comments <input type="checkbox"/> Send Ad Hoc E-mail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search Similar Articles in MEDLINE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search Author Publications in MEDLINE
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## Submission Item Metadata Fields Available on Submit Manuscript

In EM version 4.0 and below, the Editor or editorial staff can create metadata fields and associate them with a specific Submission Item Family (e.g. the “Figure Number” field can be created and be associated with the “Figure” Submission Item Family). Data can be entered on the Transmittal Form for these fields.

These metadata fields can now be exposed to the Author so that the Author can enter data for these fields.

For example, metadata fields for Figure Number, Figure Legend, etc. can be created and exposed to the Author at the time the Author uploads the figure file. Any time a specific Submission Item is selected on the “Attach Files” page of manuscript submission, any Submission Item metadata fields which have been configured to be displayed will also be shown, and the Author or Editor who is editing the submission can enter appropriate data.

An “Edit” link next to a previously attached Submission Item allows entry of metadata for Submission Items that have already been attached to the submission.

NOTE: This is controlled by Article Type, so the journal must expose the Submission Item metadata fields for each Article Type desired. In the following example, “Figure Legend” is an Item Metadata field that has been exposed to the Author.

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[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

[Insert Special Character](#)

**Please Attach Files**

- Required Items** are marked with a \*. When all Items have been attached, click **Next** at the bottom of the page.
- Copyright Transfers should not be scanned and uploaded or mailed to the office; should your article be accepted, you will be requested to mail them to the publisher at that time.
- You must label individual figures (i.e. Figure 1a, etc.) in the **Description** box below by clicking in the box and typing over the default Description.
- Please include with your submission any appropriate forms. Click the links below to download these forms; Author Disclosure and Author Contribution forms are Word documents and can be filled out in Word and uploaded with your submission.  
[Author Disclosure](#)  
[Author Contribution](#)  
[Copyright Transfer](#)  
[CONSORT Statement](#)  
[Consent for Identifiable Photographs](#)

Item:

Enter a **Description** and then click the **Browse** button to select the file you wish to upload, then click the **Attach This File** button.

Description:

Figure Legend:  [Help](#)

File Name:

To attach a file from the Los Alamos National Laboratory, enter the arXiv code (Database name followed by a forward slash and the 7-digit number referencing the article). (e.g. physics.acc-ph/3088164, hep-th/3822851, etc.)

arXiv File Name:

File Name:

No Items have yet been attached for this submission.

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TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, Transmittal Policies section, then Add/Edit Submission Item Metadata. Add a new field, or edit an existing field. At the bottom of the page is an 'Options' grid. Uncheck the 'Hide' box next to 'Edit Article Type'. This allows the metadata field to appear on the Edit Article Type page. Then go to the Edit Article Type page, and set the Item Metadata field to be 'Required' or 'Optional' for the New and/or Revised Submission, for each desired Article Type.

NOTE: You must also be sure that the Submission Item Metadata field belongs to a Submission Item Family. To check this, or to assign a family, go to the Transmittal Policies section, then Edit Submission Item Family Metadata, and then click the Edit Metadata Field Selections link next to the appropriate Metadata Family. For example, if the Submission Item Metadata is related to figures (i.e., Figure Legend, Figure Number) be sure that the item belongs to the Figure Family.

## Submission Item Enhancements

### Submission Item Metadata Fields can be Ordered

In EM version 4.0 and below, the Editor or editorial staff can create metadata fields and associate them with a specific Submission Item Family (e.g. the “Figure Number” field can be created and be associated with the “Figure” Submission Item Family). Data can be entered on the Transmittal Form for these fields. These fields are displayed in the order they were created.

These fields can now be ordered, so that when they are displayed to the Editor or Author, they are shown in the desired order. In addition, the page listing the fields now indicates whether the field is Hidden on the Edit Article Type page or the Transmittal Form.

TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, Transmittal Policies section, Add/Edit Submission Item Metadata. The ‘Submission Item Metadata Fields’ page will be displayed. Re-arrange the order if desired, by typing new numbers into the ‘Order’ boxes, and clicking the ‘Update Order’ button.

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**Submission Item Metadata Fields**

These fields provide a master list of Submission Item metadata which can be mapped to a specific Item Type Family from [Edit Submission Item Family Metadata](#) in Policy Manager. Any Submission Item information required for production should be set up here (e.g. figure specific information).

To Add a new field, enter the description and click the Add button. A field may be removed unless it has been attached to a submission.

Order	Description	Hidden on Edit Article Type	Hidden on Transmittal Form	Actions
<input type="text" value="1"/>	Figure Number	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>
<input type="text" value="2"/>	Table Number	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>

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### Submission Item Companion Files

Companion Files are files that can be uploaded at time of submission, during Edit Submission, or directly to the File Inventory page (was Download Files page). Companion Files are meant to be ancillary files and are not accessible from the submission PDF.

This is an example of the File Inventory page with both Submission Files and a Companion File.



Listed below are the files included in the current version of the latest Revision of the submission. Click the Download link to download the individual source file. To download a zip file containing multiple items, select the items using the check boxes, and then click the 'Download Zip File' button. The 'Check All' and 'Clear All' links may be used to select or unselect all the files. Additional software (such as WinZip) must be installed on your computer in order to unzip (uncompress) the zip file. [View Submission](#)

[Check All](#) [Clear All](#)

Submission Files (accessed via PDF)										
Item	Description	Item Family	File Name	Size	Last Modified	QC Results	Display on Transmittal Form	Action	Include in Zip File	
Manuscript	* Manuscript1	Document	Manuscript1.txt	11.8 KB	Dec 12 2002 1:44PM	Error		<a href="#">Download</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Figure	Figure	Figure	surgery.gif	92 KB	Jun 7 2001 8:36PM	Pass with Warning <a href="#">[View]</a>		<a href="#">Download</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Table	Table	Table	Table 1.tif	49 KB	Jun 7 2001 3:30PM	Pass with Warning <a href="#">[View]</a>	✓	<a href="#">Download</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Author Reviewer Comment	* Author Reviewer Comment	Default	abstract.rtf	5.8 KB	Apr 23 2003 12:16PM			<a href="#">Download</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Companion Files (not built into the PDF)										
Item	Description	Item Family	File Name	Size	Last Modified	Uploaded By	QC Results	Display on Transmittal Form	Action	Include in Zip File
Copyrighted manuscript	All changes have been accepted	Document	Restructure.doc	21 KB	Jun 7 2006 1:10PM	Mary François Smith, Managing Editor			<a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Hide</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>

[Check All](#) [Clear All](#)

NOTE: You can configure the system so that an Author can upload a Companion File, but Companion Files are never built into the PDF that is approved by the Author, or the PDF that is sent for peer-review. Any type of file that needs to be peer-reviewed should not be configured as a Companion File.

NOTE: Companion files will be processed through Artwork AQC and Reference Checking if these options are turned on.

NOTE: Companion Files can have color codes associated with them. This can be used for version control, or as a way to identify different types of Companion Files when the Submission Item label is not sufficient.

TO CONFIGURE: Use PolicyManager, Submission Policies, Edit Submission Items. To define a Submission Item as a Companion File, set the PDF Handling to “Companion File (not built into PDF)”.

You may also choose a default color code for each Companion File. When a file of this type is initially uploaded, the color code for that file will be set to this value.

### Edit Submission Item Type

[Insert Special Character](#)

Item Type:  Maximum 256 characters

Item Type Family:

PDF Handling:

*Important Note: If 'Build Hyperlink to the Item into the PDF (Item Not Displayed in PDF)' is selected, there is no restriction on the uploaded file's extension or content. All uploaded files are checked for viruses.*

Display with automatic line numbering in PDF  
 Include this Item Type for Artwork Quality Checking

Include this Item Type for Reference Checking  
 This Item Type will contain multiple citations inside a single reference. [Example](#)  
 This Item Type will contain reference annotations. [Example](#)

Choose Default Color Code for Companion file Upload

Order	Color	Description
<input type="radio"/>		No default color
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	■	Main Submission Text
<input type="radio"/>	■	Figure Stream
<input type="radio"/>	■	On-Line only files
<input type="radio"/>	■	Editorial
<input type="radio"/>	■	Data Files

To configure color codes for Companion Files go to PolicyManager, Submission Policies, Configure Color Codes for Companion Files. Here you can build a list of color codes that can be selected on the Edit Submission Item page.

### Configure Color Codes for Companion Files

Listed below are the color codes that may be assigned automatically when companion files are uploaded. You may specify a 'default' color (or 'No default color') for companion files on the Edit Submission Item Type page in PolicyManager.

Color codes can also be modified after the companion file has been uploaded. Editor and Publisher Roles with permission to 'Upload, Hide and Restore Companion files' can change the color associated with a companion files on the Change Color Code page.

Order	Color	RGB #	Description	
<input type="text" value="1"/>	■	0033CC	Complete	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>
<input type="text" value="2"/>	■	CC0000	Urgent	<a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Remove</a>

New Color Code:  [Choose Color](#)  
[Enter RGB color code or choose with the color picker]

[Insert Special Character](#)

New Color Code Description:   
Maximum 256 characters

Select Color - Microsoft I... [X]

#FFFFFF

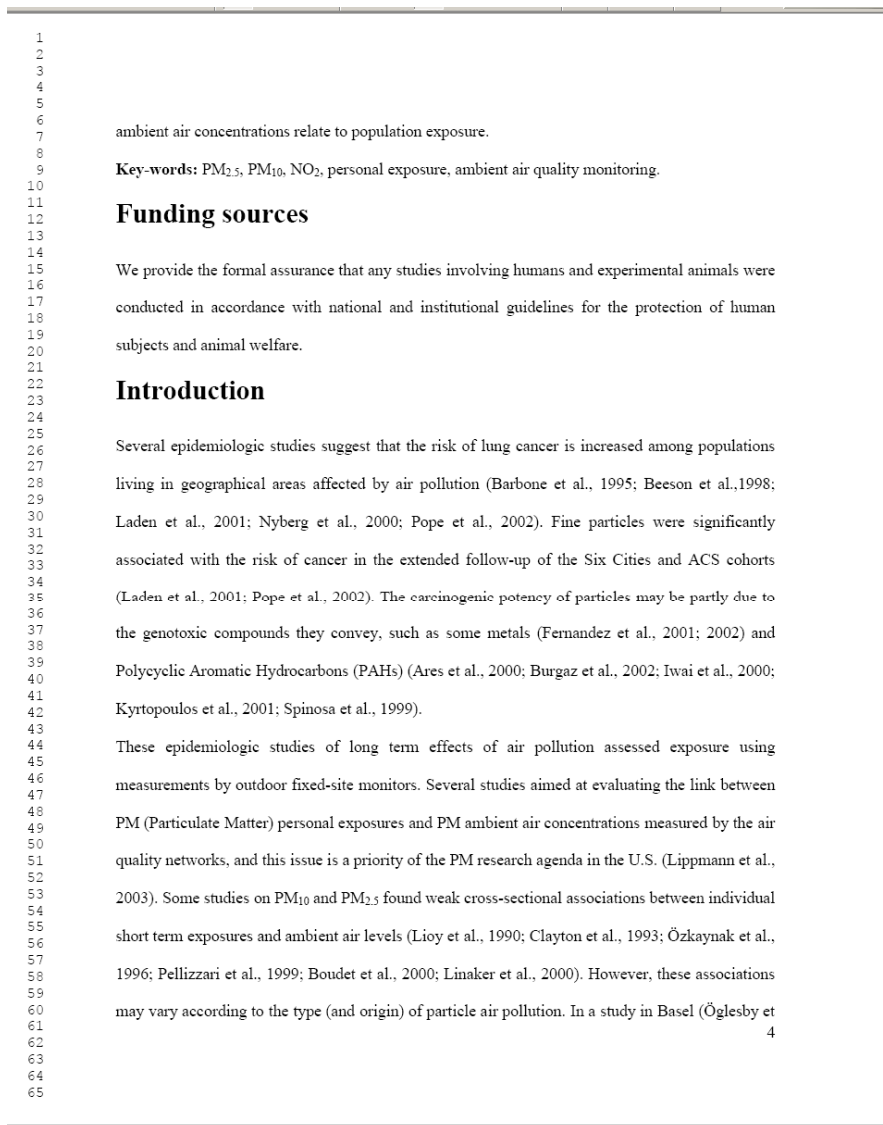
# PDF Enhancements

## Line Numbers included in PDF

This feature will allow the Reviewer and Author/Editor PDF to be line numbered. The line numbering is configured by Submission Item. If a Submission Item is configured to display line numbers, then the PDF pages where this Submission Item appears will be numbered from 1-66 (for portrait layout) and 1-50 (for landscape layout).

This means that the Reviewers and Editors can refer to specific line numbers when submitting comments.

Here is an example of a PDF with line numbers:



TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, then to Edit Submission Items, and click 'Edit' next to an existing Submission Item (or add a new one). Check the box 'Display with automatic line numbering in PDF'.

**Edit Submission Item Type**

[Insert Special Character](#)

Item Type:   
Maximum 256 characters

Item Type Family:

PDF Handling:

*Important Note: If 'Build Hyperlink to the Item into the PDF (Item Not Displayed in PDF)' is selected, there is no restriction on the uploaded file's extension or content. All uploaded files are checked for viruses.*

Display with automatic line numbering in PDF  
 Include this Item Type for Artwork Quality Checking

Include this Item Type for Reference Checking  
 This Item Type will contain multiple citations inside a single reference. [Example](#)  
 This Item Type will contain reference annotations. [Example](#)

## Hyperlinks Included in PDF

This feature allows hyperlinks, included in source files, to remain as hyperlinks in the Reviewer and Author/Editor PDFs.



In particular, manuscript PDFs can be re-built by Editors to include eXtyles generated links to PubMed and Crossref. This means that the PDF created by EM can more closely approximate to a final manuscript with a linked bibliography. Prior to this enhancement, the links were visible, but were not active hyperlinks.

CONFIGURATION: No configuration is necessary to enable hyperlinks in PDF.

## Technical Check for New/Revised Submissions

For some publications, the staff performs a “technical check” for all new submissions and revisions. The technical check involves ensuring that the submission conforms to the standards set by the publication, and includes all the information the publication requires. To accommodate this need, Editorial Manager is enhanced with a “Technical Check” feature.

The feature is implemented as follows:

- PolicyManager is enhanced with a ‘Configure Technical Check’ page. This page allows the journal to enable technical checking, and create customized instructions or a checklist.
- If Technical Checking is enabled, new submissions are initially sent to a new folder entitled “New Submissions”. The Editor or staff can then perform the technical check and either send the submission back to the Author (existing functionality), or forward the submission to the existing folder “New Submissions Requiring Assignments”. For revisions, a “Revised Submissions” folder is created. This allows the journal office to perform the technical check and then send the revision back to the Author, or forward to the “Revised Submissions Requiring Assignments” folder. These new folders are visible for those Editors who have the RoleManager permission “Perform Technical Check” (a sub-permission of “Receive New Submissions in the ‘New Submissions Requiring Assignments’ Folder”).
- The Manuscript Details, Production Details, and Search Submission pages are enhanced to allow the viewing/entry of the Technical Check information.
- New merge fields are added:
  - %TECHNICAL\_COMMENTS\_TO\_AUTHOR% - pulls in the latest entry in the Technical Comments to Author field for the latest revision.
  - %TECHNICAL\_NOTES % - pulls in the ‘Technical Notes to Editor’ (from the DOCUMENT table).
- Fields are added to the custom report view ‘Manuscript Status History View’
  - Date Technical Check Completed – gives most recent technical check completion date.
  - Technical Notes – displays the Technical Notes to Editor
  - Manuscript Notes – displays the existing field ‘Manuscript Notes’.
- Fields are added to the custom report views ‘Authors and Submissions View’ and ‘Editors and Submissions’ view
  - Date Technical Check Completed – gives most recent technical check completion date.
  - Technical Notes – displays the Technical Notes to Editor
  - Note: these views already include the ‘Manuscript Notes’ field.
- Additional items are added to the Journal Accountability report, to allow the journal to measure the time interval between submission and the technical check completion date, and the technical check completion date and Editor assignment date.

- New Manuscripts Submitted but Technical Check not yet complete
- Revisions Submitted but Technical Check not yet complete
- Submission to Technical Check Complete (average number of days)
- Technical Check Complete to Editor Assignment (average number of days)

If a journal is using the “Direct-to-Editor” function, the Technical Check feature is not available for those Editors, and the Editor continues to receive new submissions in the “Direct-to-Editor” folders.

Perform Technical Check popup window:

Technical Check for DEMO-05-130

**Test submission Title for the DEMO Site**

[Original Submission](#)

[View Submission](#)

[Technical Check History](#)

[Customized instructions go here.]Perform the checks shown below. If the submission fails one or more of the checks, click the 'Send Back to Author' button to return the submission to the Author for modification. If the submission passes the checks, select 'Technical Check Complete' (radio button below) and click the 'Save and Close' button

- Is the copyright form filled out?
- Are all Authors listed, with appropriate affiliations?
- Are the figures in the correct format?

Technical Check Incomplete  
 Technical Check Complete

Cancel   Send Back to Author   Save and Close

Technical Comments to Author

[Insert Special Character](#)   [Open in New Window](#)

Technical Notes

[Insert Special Character](#)   [Open in New Window](#)

[View Submission](#)

[Technical Check History](#)

Cancel   Send Back to Author   Save and Close

TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, Submission Policies section, ‘Configure Technical Check’. Select the ‘Enable Technical Check’ checkbox, and type any instructions into the Custom Instructions box, and click the ‘Submit’ button.

### Configure Technical Check

When the Technical Check is enabled, new submissions are sent to a 'New Submissions' folder instead of directly to the 'New Submissions Requiring Assignments' folder. Revised submissions are sent to a 'Revised Submissions' folder instead of directly to the 'Revised Submissions Requiring Assignments' folder. Note: this feature cannot be used for submissions that go directly to an Editor (Direct-to-Editor).

The Instructions box allows you to add instructions that will appear at the time the Technical Check is performed. HTML tags may be used.

Enable Technical Check

Instructions:

[Insert Special Character](#)

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Please perform the technical check as directed by the following: <a href="#">Tech Check Steps link</a>. <b><font color="red">Do not move the submission forward until all the technical check steps have been completed!</font></b> These are the steps:  
<ol>Ensure that all required Submission Items are present</ol>  
<ol>Review the artwork quality</ol>  
<ol>Spell Check the manuscript</ol>  
<ol>Edit the submission and rename the files</ol>  
<ol>Set the Technical Check to Complete</ol>
```

Go to RoleManager and give the desired Editors the permission to ‘Perform Technical Check (submission received in ‘New Submissions’ folder)’.

NOTE: The Editor must also have (or be given) permission to ‘Receive New Submissions in the New Submissions Requiring Assignments’ folder.

## Send Back to Author Changes

The “Send Back to Author” feature is enhanced as follows:

- The Editor or staff person can choose from multiple letters when sending the submission back to the Author. The letters may be customized before sending. A new “Communications to Author” Letter Family is established to support this feature. At upgrade, the letter currently associated with the ‘PDF Sent to Author for Approval by Editor’ event (for the Author) is automatically classified into this new family.
  - A new merge field %TECHNICAL\_COMMENTS\_TO\_AUTHOR% is available for this letter and pulls in the latest entry in the Technical Comments to Author field for the latest revision.
  - NOTE: The Technical Comments to Author field may be populated as part of the new ‘Technical Check’ feature.
- The Author Main Menu is enhanced with two new folders for submissions sent back to the Author: “Submissions Sent Back to the Author” and “Revisions Sent Back to the Author”.

NOTE: The ActionManager event “Submission Sent to Author for Approval by Editor” in the Editor Edits Submission section has been changed. The new name for this event is “Submission Sent Back to Author” and the status expression is “Sent Back to Author”. This event no longer has a configurable status, however, the text of the status (status expression) can be edited in PolicyManager, Edit Document Status.



## E-mail Notifications for Proposals and Commentaries

When a new submission or new revision is submitted to Editorial Manager, the editorial staff person who receives the new submission must assign an Editor to handle that submission. The act of assigning the Editor creates a ‘special relationship’ between the journal staff person and the submission. The special relationship means that the journal staff person is “attached” to the submission, even if they are not “assigned” to the submission.

This journal staff person (who assigned the first Editor) is now able to receive correspondence allowing them to monitor the progress of the submission through the peer review process. This correspondence includes any letters configured in ActionManager for their role for the following events:

- Editor Invited for Assignment
- Editor Agree to Assignment
- Editor Declines Invitation of New Submission
- Editor Declines Invitation from an Editor
- Editor Assigned (Not Invited)
- Editor Assigned Notification
- Undo Editor Assignment Notification
- Request Unregistered Reviewer
- Reviewer Invited
- Reviewer Agree
- Reviewer Decline
- Review Assignment Completed
- Required Reviews Complete
- Editor Decision

Even if the assigned Editor assigns another (subordinate) Editor, the journal staff person who assigned the first Editor will continue to have the ‘special relationship’ with the submission. This sort of special relationship does not exist for any events other than those listed above.

In EM version 5.0, this ‘special relationship’ has been extended to certain ActionManager events related to Proposals and Commentaries.

### Proposals

If a letter is set up to go to the Editor Role of the person who assigned the first Editor on a Proposal, only that person will receive the letter, not everyone assigned to the Editor Role. This correspondence includes any letters configured in ActionManager for their role for the following events:

- Invite Authors for Proposal
- Un-Invite Authors
- Author Agrees to Invitation
- Author Declines Invitation
- Final Disposition – Completed Proposal

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- Final Disposition –Withdrawn Proposal

EXAMPLE: There are 2 people with the Editor Role ‘Journal Staff’ at journal XYZ: “Bob” and “Sue”. “Sue” creates the proposal and assigns the first Editor – “Ed” to the proposal. In ActionManager, a letter is configured to go to the ‘Journal Staff’ at the Author Invited event. When “Ed” invites an author, “Sue” is the only journal staff person to receive the letter, because she is the person who assigned the first editor. “Bob” does not receive the letter.

## Commentaries




Both the Editor who assigned the first Editor (usually the journal staff person) and the handling Editor on the parent submission (the submission on which the commentary is being requested) should be able to receive letters configured for their Role for the following events:

- Solicit Commentary on Submission
- Un-Invite Authors
- Author Agrees to Invitation
- Author Declines Invitation

EXAMPLE: There are 2 people with the Editor Role ‘Journal Staff’ at journal XYZ: “Bob” and “Sue”. “Bob” assigns the first Editor “Ed” to a regular submission. “Ed” then clicks the Solicit Commentary link, to invite some Authors to comment on the paper. “Bob” receives the e-mail configured for ‘Journal Staff’ for the ‘Solicit Commentary’ event (if a letter was configured for this event). “Sue” does not receive the email because she does not have a special relationship with this submission.

## Customizable Flags for Submission Records

In EM version 4.0 and below, small icons (“flags”) may be used in particular situations to indicate different things. The following flags are currently used in the system:

1. KF flag () - This icon is displayed next to people names on various pages. Clicking the KF icon launches a Knowledge Finder search in a new pop-up window using the person’s name.
2. Manuscript Notes flag () – This flag can be turned on/turned off by Editors with appropriate RoleManager permission. It allows Editors to enter Manuscript Notes for a particular submission, and turn on the flag to alert other Editors so they will be sure to read the notes. When the other Editor has read the notes, the flag can be turned off.
3. Duplicate Submission Check () – If the journal uses the Duplicate Submission Check feature, and an Author has submitted a new manuscript within the set number of days (specified in PolicyManager), this symbol appears next to the Author's name in the Editor folders “New Submissions Requiring Assignments”, “Direct-to-Editor New Submissions” and “New Assignments”.

The system now supports customizable flags, allowing publications to configure their own flags for any number of uses. Following are some practical examples of how a Submission Flag might be used:

- When a manuscript is ready for an Editor's decision, the journal office might attach a 'Ready for Decision' flag, so the Editor is prompted visually that all reviews are in, and it's time to make a decision.
- An Editor in the process of entering his comments on the Submit Decision page may need to leave his computer and come back later. He might set the 'Decision in Progress' flag to remind himself that he has already started working on this decision, and needs to finish it later.

To achieve this objective, the following enhancements are added to Editorial Manager:

1. The publication can create Submission Flags by customizing the name and choosing a flag from a matrix of nearly 400 flags in PolicyManager.
2. A Submission Flag is 'set' manually by users (with 'Turn On Submission Flags' permission) on the new Submission Flags pop-up, accessible from the Details pages (Manuscript Details, Production Details and Proposal Details).
3. Once a Submission Flag is displayed, Editors and Publishers with permission to 'View Submission Flags' will see the icon(s) next to the Details link in the Action column of all Editor and Publisher pages where the Details link (or Manuscript Details or Production Details) is currently displayed.
4. The flag is displayed for a particular submission until another user (with 'Turn Off Submission Flags' permission) manually unsets the flag on the Submission Flags pop-up page.

NOTE: The Custom Flag enhancement requires that your browser have an installed font that includes Unicode characters (Arial Unicode MS). Most Windows and Macintosh machines have this font installed. Windows installations that have an older version of Office (e.g., Office 2002) may not have the necessary Unicode font installed. Without this font some of the flag characters will appear as square boxes. An alternative shareware font that you can install is available at the following URL: [http://home.att.net/~jameskass/code2000\\_page.htm](http://home.att.net/~jameskass/code2000_page.htm). The package available from the site has clear installation instructions. Note that this is shareware, and that any transaction is strictly between you and the Author of the shareware.

NOTE: Since flags are displayed for Editor and Publisher Roles only, improper flag display is not an issue for the 'general' population (Authors and reviewers).

The Manuscript Details page is enhanced with a 'Link to Submission Flags' action link, which is displayed under the following conditions:

- User has permission to 'Turn On Submission Flags' OR One or more flags are currently displayed for the submission, and the user has permission to 'Turn Off Submission Flags' OR
- User has BOTH permissions ('Turn On Submission Flags' and 'Turn Off Submission Flags').




NOTE: The 'Link to Submission Flag' link is also displayed on the Proposal Details page and Publisher Details page, according to the above permissions.

<b>Classifications:</b>	BASIC SCIENCE; RECONSTRUCTION
<b>Requested Editor:</b>	Ed Editor Gene Hackman Devang Shah
<b>Initial Date Submitted:</b>	Apr 12, 2006
<b>Status Date:</b>	Apr 12, 2006
<b>Current Status:</b>	Editor Invited
<b>Transmittal Form:</b>	<a href="#">Link to Transmittal Form</a>
<b>Final Disposition:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Corresponding Editor:</b>	Ed Editor, Editor-in-Chief
<b>Abstract:</b>	
<a href="#">Top</a>	
This is the abstract for my article.	
<b>Submission Flags:</b>	<a href="#">Link to Submission Flags</a>
<b>Manuscript Notes:</b>	
<a href="#">Top</a>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Display Manuscript Notes <a href="#">Insert Special Character</a>

Clicking the 'Link to Submission Flags' link opens the new Submission Flags pop-up. The instructions and options available on this page vary, depending on the user's RoleManager permissions. If the user has permission to 'Turn On Submission Flags' only, he can check off one or more boxes to display the flag for the submission. Flags already displayed on for the submission are listed with a checkmark gif.

**Submission Flags - Manuscript Number JBJS-D-03-01161  
"GLOBAL CORE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A MUSCULOSKELETAL  
UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM"**

Check the box of the flag(s) you want to display for this submission. Once a flag is enabled, the flag is displayed next to the 'Details' link on all Editor and Publisher pages (if the user has RoleManager permission to 'View Submission Flags'). The flag will remain displayed for this submission until someone turns off the flag (unchecks the box). When the box is unchecked, the flag is no longer displayed for this submission.




Display	Flag	Flag Name
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Great Article - Likely to be Accepted
<input type="checkbox"/>		Another Flag
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Enter More Notes Later
<input type="checkbox"/>		Ready for Decision

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If the user has permission to ‘Turn Off Submission Flags’ (but not permission to ‘Turn On Submission Flags’), he can uncheck (turn off) any flags that are currently displayed for the submission.

**SUBMISSION FLAGS - MANUSCRIPT NUMBER STACEYTEST50-D-06-00006 "VERY IMPORTANT ARTICLE."**

Uncheck the box of the flag(s) you do not want to display for this submission. Once the box is unchecked and you click the 'Submit' button, the flag is no longer attached to this submission.

Display	Flag	Flag Name
<input type="checkbox"/>		Great Article - Likely to be Accepted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Enter More Notes Later
<input type="checkbox"/>		Ready for Decision




Cancel Submit

If the user has both permissions (‘Turn On Submission Flags’ and ‘Turn Off Submission Flags’), he can display or turn off flags for the submission.

**SUBMISSION FLAGS - MANUSCRIPT NUMBER STACEYTEST50-D-06-00006 "VERY IMPORTANT ARTICLE."**

Check the box of the flag(s) you want to display for this submission. Once a flag is enabled, the flag is displayed next to the 'Details' link on all Editor and Publisher pages (if the user has RoleManager permission to 'View Submission Flags').

Uncheck the box of the flag(s) you do not want to display for this submission. Once the box is unchecked and you click the 'Submit' button, the flag is no longer attached to this submission.

Display	Flag	Flag Name
<input type="checkbox"/>		Great Article - Likely to be Accepted
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Enter More Notes Later
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Ready for Decision

Cancel Submit

NOTE: One or more flags can be displayed for a single submission.

Once a flag is displayed for a submission, it is displayed next to the ‘Details’ link on all Editor pages where the ‘Details’ link is displayed.

**SEARCH SUBMISSIONS - SEARCH RESULTS**

Manuscript Number CONTAINS '0006'

Page: 1 of 1 (11 total submissions)

Action	Manuscript Number	Article Type	Article Title	Short Title	Keywords	Classifications
<a href="#">View Submission</a> <a href="#">Details</a>  <a href="#">History</a> <a href="#">File Inventory</a>	STACEYTEST50-D-06-00006	Clinical	Very important article.	Article	hello;	1.30000 BASIC SCIENCE 1.50000 RECONSTRUCTION

NOTE: Flags are also displayed next to the 'Proposal Details' link (in the Proposals Menu) and the 'Production Details' link (in the Production Tracking Menu).

NOTE: There is no history captured in the database of when a flag is turned on or turned off for submission records.

TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, then to the General Policies section, and click the 'Create Customized Flags' link. Click the 'Add' button to create a new flag.

**Create Customized Flags**

Submission Flags can be attached to submission records on the Submission Flags page (accessible from the 'Details' page). When a flag is displayed for a submission, it is visible to Editors and Publishers (with appropriate RoleManager permission) on all pages where the 'Details' action link is displayed.

**There are no Submission Flags defined.**

Enter the Flag Name, and then select the desired icon. There are nearly 400 flags to choose from (a partial listing is shown below).

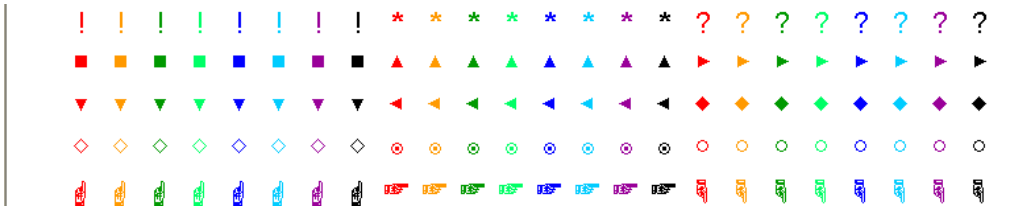
**Add Customized Flag**

Please enter the Flag Name and choose an icon from the matrix. Editors and Publishers with RoleManager permission to 'Turn On Submission Flags' and 'Turn Off Submission Flags' can display/turn off Submission Flags for any manuscript on the Submission Flags page (accessible from the Details page). When a flag is attached to a submission, it will be displayed next to the 'Details' action link on all pages where the 'Details' link is displayed (Editor and Publisher Roles must have permission to 'View Submission Flags').

Flag Icon:

Flag Name:  [Insert Special Character](#)

Maximum 256 characters



Once the flags have been created, they are listed on the Create Customized Flags page. You may update the item order to change the order in which the flags are displayed on the Submission Flags page.

You can Remove a flag, as long as it is not currently displayed for any submissions.

NOTE: If you remove a flag (e.g. purple exclamation point for ‘Time to Make a Decision’), that particular icon can be re-used for another flag in the future.

**Create Customized Flags**

Submission Flags can be attached to submission records on the Submission Flags page (accessible from the 'Details' page). When a flag is displayed for a submission, it is visible to Editors and Publishers (with appropriate RoleManager permission) on all pages where the 'Details' action link is displayed.

Order	Flag	Flag Name	
<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Great Article - Likely to be Accepted	<a href="#">Remove</a> <a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="text" value="2"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enter More Notes Later	<a href="#">Remove</a> <a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ready for Decision	<a href="#">Remove</a> <a href="#">Edit</a>

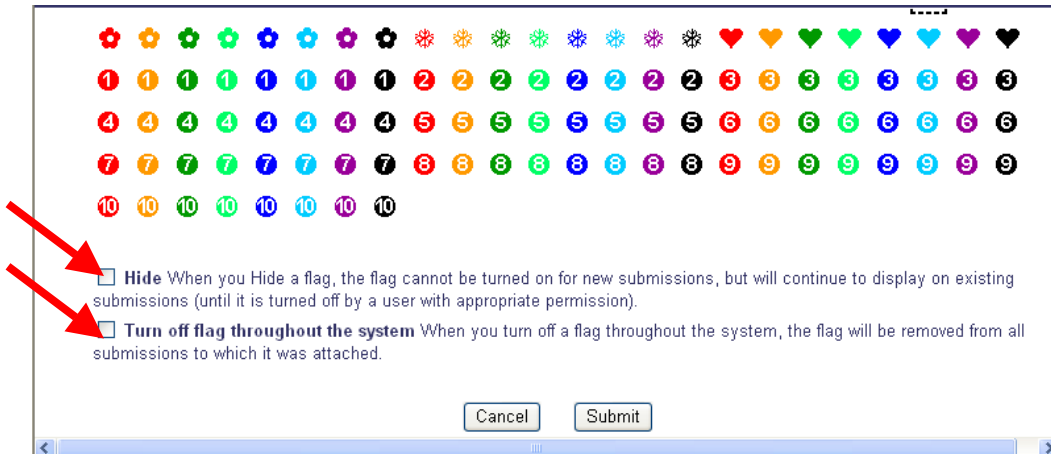
You can click the ‘Edit’ link to change the Name of a flag, or change the icon associated with a particular Flag Name.

NOTE: If you change the icon associated with a Flag Name (e.g. change ‘Ready for Decision’ from a blue star to a green checkmark), the icon will immediately be visible on submissions that are currently displaying the ‘Ready for Decision’ flag.

You can also ‘Hide’ a flag or ‘Turn off flag throughout the system’ on the Edit Customized Flag page. When a flag is hidden, it can be viewed and turned off, but cannot be displayed for any new submissions. Once the flag is turned off (but it is still hidden), it cannot be displayed for any new submission records. If the journal ‘un-hides’ the flag, it can be displayed, turned off and viewed once again.

If you ‘Turn off flag throughout the system’, the flag is removed from all submissions to which it is currently attached. If the journal wants to remove the flag from all submissions AND not allow the flag to be attached to new submissions, the user should check both the ‘Turn off flag throughout the system’ checkbox and the ‘Hide’ checkbox. Note there are some circumstances where the journal might want to turn off the flag

throughout the system, but not necessarily hide it for new submissions. Hence, there are two separate checkboxes.



The next step is to grant Editor and Publisher Roles permission to View, Turn On, and/or Turn Off submission flags. To do this, go to the new Flag Icons section of Editor RoleManager and Publisher RoleManager, and check the appropriate boxes for the roles you wish to grant these permissions to.





## Action Link Changes

### View Reviews and Comments

In EM version 4.0 and below, the action link to ‘View Reviewer and Editor Comments’ is extremely lengthy. This link is renamed ‘View Reviews and Comments’ on all pages where this link is displayed.

Page: 1 of 1 (22 total submissions) Display 50 results per page

Action	Manuscript Number	Article Type	Article Title	Author Name	Initial Date Submitted	Status Date
<a href="#">View Submission</a> <a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">History</a> <a href="#">File Inventory</a> <a href="#">Edit Submission</a> <a href="#">Classifications</a> <a href="#">Assign Editor</a> <a href="#">Invite Reviewers</a> <a href="#">Solicit Commentary</a> <a href="#">View Reviews and Comments</a> <a href="#">Similar Articles in MEDLINE</a> <a href="#">Search in Google.com</a> <a href="#">Search in Pubmed</a> <a href="#">Search OVID MEDLINE</a> <a href="#">Google Scholar</a> <a href="#">Scirus -Author Search</a>	JBJS-D-03-	Case	Cartilaginous Avulsion of the Femoral Attachment of the Anterior Cruciate	Kenii		Jul 03

The page header is also renamed, to reflect the more concise name.

Close

**View Reviews and Comments for Manuscript**  
**JBJS-D-03-01161**  
**"GLOBAL CORE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A MUSCULOSKELETAL UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM"**  
**Original Submission**

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Click the recommendation term to view the comments for the submission.

[View Manuscript Rating Card](#)

	Original Submission
<a href="#">Joseph Bernstein, M.D.</a> (Reviewer 1)	Agreed to Review
<a href="#">Peter J. Stern, MD</a> (Reviewer 2)	Agreed to Review
<a href="#">Stuart L. Weinstein, M.D.</a> (Reviewer 3)	<a href="#">C+</a>
<a href="#">Meg Ryan</a> (Reviewer 4)	Agreed to Review
<a href="#">Gene Hackman, M.D.</a> (Editor-in-Chief)	
<a href="#">Author Decision Letter</a>	
<a href="#">Anthony Derek Woolf, BSc, MBBS, FRCP</a> (Author)	

Close

## File Inventory

The current “Download Files” link has been renamed “File Inventory” and can be configured to show both Submission files and the new Companion Files.

**View All Assigned Submissions - John MacJohn**

**Contents:** This page lists all submissions that have been assigned to an Editor, for which the Editor's decision has not yet been made. This includes submissions with invited Reviewers, submissions out for review, submissions requiring a decision, and submissions which have a subordinate Editor's decision but not a decision from the top Editor in the decision-making chain.

Page: 1 of 1 (14 total submissions)      Display 100 results per page.

Action	Manuscript Number	Article Type	Article Title	Author Name	Initial Date Submitted	Status Date	Current Status	Editor with Current Responsibility	View Decision
<a href="#">View Submission</a> <a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">History</a> <a href="#">Classifications</a> <a href="#">Undo Editor Assignment</a> <a href="#">File Inventory</a> <a href="#">Edit Submission</a> <a href="#">Invite Reviewers</a> <a href="#">Solicit Commentary</a> <a href="#">Notify Editor</a>	JXY257	Production Test	Submitting to a Journal; an assessment of the major on-line submission systems.	John MacJohn	May 22, 2006	May 22, 2006	With Editor	Arnold Editor	

**File Inventory**  
**John MacJohn (UNITED KINGDOM): "Test good"**

Listed below are the files included in the current version of the latest Revision of the submission. Click the Download link to download the individual source file.

[View Submission](#)

[Close](#)   [Save and Close](#)   [Download Zip File](#)   [Check All](#)   [Clear All](#)

**Submission Files (accessed via PDF)**

Item	Description	Item Family	File Name	Size	Last Modified	QC Results	Display on Transmittal Form	Action	Include in Zip File
Abstract	Abstract	Default	table1.tif	11.4 MB	Apr 13, 2004	Pass <a href="#">View</a>		<a href="#">Download</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Companion Files (not built into the PDF)**

Item	Description	Item Family	File Name	Size	Last Modified	Uploaded By	QC Results	Display on Transmittal Form	Action	Include in Zip File
Text Proof (P)	In-House proof from DTP system	Document	PROOF-This is a manuscript with a really obvious title.doc	19 KB	May 19, 2006	John MacJohn, Editorial Office			<a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Hide</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>

[Upload Companion File](#)

[Close](#)   [Save and Close](#)   [Download Zip File](#)   [Check All](#)   [Clear All](#)

TO CONFIGURE: Use RoleManager, and edit the desired Editor or Publisher role. Set either of the permissions “Download Companion Files” or “Upload and Remove Companion files”.

**Edit Submission**

- Edit Submission Before Decision
- Edit Submission After Decision and Final Disposition
- Download Source Files
- Download Companion Files
- Upload, Hide and Restore Companion files
- Assign Manuscript Classifications

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## Production Notes Field on Details

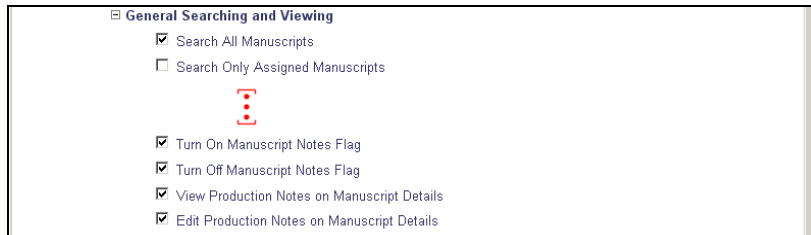
A new “Production Notes” field can be displayed on the Details page for Editor and Publisher roles. This notes field can be used to enter instruction or other notes that might be of interest to the production department.



The screenshot shows a web interface for manuscript details. At the top, there is a section titled "Manuscript Notes:" with a "Top" link. Below this is a checkbox labeled "Display Manuscript Notes Flag" and a link "Insert Special Character". A large empty text area follows. Below the text area is a "Production Status:" field showing "In Production". Underneath is another "Production Notes:" section with a "Top" link and another large empty text area. At the bottom, there is a "Blinded Editors:" field with a link "Blind Editors" and a label "EDITORS" at the very bottom.

NOTE: The Production Notes field is not yet available for inclusion on the Transmittal Form.

TO CONFIGURE: To allow a user to view the “Production Notes” field, use RoleManager, and edit the desired Editor or Publisher role. Set the permissions “View Production Notes on Manuscript Details” and “Edit Production Notes on Manuscript Details”.



The screenshot shows the RoleManager configuration screen. It is titled "General Searching and Viewing". There are two checkboxes: "Search All Manuscripts" (checked) and "Search Only Assigned Manuscripts" (unchecked). Below these is a red vertical ellipsis icon. Further down, there are four checkboxes: "Turn On Manuscript Notes Flag" (checked), "Turn Off Manuscript Notes Flag" (checked), "View Production Notes on Manuscript Details" (checked), and "Edit Production Notes on Manuscript Details" (checked).

## New View Option on History

In version 4.0 History has two sections, Status History and Correspondence History. Status History shows a timeline progression of the submission as it moves from status to status, with Document Status and Edit Submission Status displayed in chronological succession.

A new view is added to the standard History view. This new view, called Status Type View, separates the Document Status from the Edit Submission Status (and Production Status if Production Tracking is enabled).

This example shows the Timeline View with the option to switch to the Status Type View. Note that Status History is a single section.

**History for Submission Number 1258**

[Status History](#)   [Correspondence History](#)  
[Switch to Status Type View](#)

STATUS HISTORY						
Status Date	Document Status	Edit Submission Status	Status Days	Role Family	Revision	Operator
Jun 7 2006 12:04PM		Editor Approved Edited Submission	----	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD
Jun 7 2006 12:01PM		Needs Editor Approval	----	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD
Jun 7 2006 11:59AM		Building PDF for Editor	----	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD
Jun 7 2006 11:58AM		Incomplete with Editor	----	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD
Apr 7 2006 9:40AM	Received by Journal		61	EDITOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Mary François Smith, PhD]
Feb 23 2004 12:45PM	Needs Approval		774	AUTHOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Anthony Author, MD]
Feb 23 2004 12:42PM	Building PDF		----	AUTHOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Anthony Author, MD]
Feb 23 2004 12:38PM	Incomplete		----	AUTHOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Anthony Author, MD]

CORRESPONDENCE HISTORY						
Correspondence Date	Letter	Recipient	Status	Revision	Operator	

This example shows the Status Type View with the option to switch to the Timeline View. Note that Status History is split into two sections.

**History for Submission Number 1258**

[Status History](#)   [Edit Submission History](#)   [Correspondence History](#)  
[Switch to Timeline View](#)

STATUS HISTORY						
Status Date	Document Status	Status Days	Role Family	Revision	Operator	
Apr 7 2006 9:40AM	Received by Journal	61	EDITOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Mary François Smith, PhD]	
Feb 23 2004 12:45PM	Needs Approval	774	AUTHOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Anthony Author, MD]	
Feb 23 2004 12:42PM	Building PDF	----	AUTHOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Anthony Author, MD]	
Feb 23 2004 12:38PM	Incomplete	----	AUTHOR	0	Duncan Webber, K9 [Proxied by Anthony Author, MD]	

EDIT SUBMISSION STATUS HISTORY						
Status Date	Edit Submission Status	Status Days	Role Family	Revision	Operator	
Jun 7 2006 12:04PM	Editor Approved Edited Submission		EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD	
Jun 7 2006 12:01PM	Needs Editor Approval	0	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD	
Jun 7 2006 11:59AM	Building PDF for Editor	0	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD	
Jun 7 2006 11:58AM	Incomplete with Editor	0	EDITOR	0	Mary François Smith, PhD	

CORRESPONDENCE HISTORY						
Correspondence Date	Letter	Recipient	Status	Revision	Operator	

## Terminate Reviewer and Editor Changes

In EM version 4.0 and below, an Editor can make a decision without waiting for the subordinate Editor to submit his decision, and without waiting for outstanding review assignments to be completed. The Editor “terminates” these parties by clicking the ‘Terminate Outstanding Assignments and Proceed’ button on the “Submit Editor’s Decision and Comments” page.

In EM version 4.0 terminated parties are not notified by the system, and are often not aware that they have been terminated. A Reviewer might log in to submit his recommendation, or an Editor might log in to submit his decision, and discover that the assignment has ‘vanished’ from his folders.

NOTE: It is important for journals to understand the difference between un-inviting a Reviewer, and terminating a Reviewer from a review assignment. The system maintains separate statistics for ‘un-invitations’ and ‘terminations’. These statistics are captured for every assignment for which a Reviewer is invited, and are visible on the person’s people record and in reports permanently.

In general, it is recommended that an Editor trying to make a decision (while a Reviewer still has an outstanding assignment) should un-invite the Reviewer first. This ‘closes out’ the open review assignment, and the un-invited statistic is captured in the database. Journals would likely want to un-invite a Reviewer who is taking too long to complete an assignment, and it is generally deemed ‘friendlier’ than terminating a review assignment.

Terminate represents a ‘harsher’ termination method, as opposed to un-inviting. In either case, journal staff should be aware that the statistics are captured, and are used to calculate performance statistics for individual Reviewers and the overall journal.

In this enhancement, a new RoleManager permission allows journals to control which Editor Roles have permission to terminate outstanding Reviewer and Editor assignments. When an Editor attempts to terminate an assignment with a Partial Review Saved or a Partial Decision Saved, an alert will be displayed, further noting that the Editor should seriously consider whether or not he wants to terminate a recommendation or decision that has already been started.

**Terminate Outstanding Assignments for Manuscript Number JBJS-D-03-01186**  
**“Avascular necrosis of bone : early onset during treatment of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)”**

**Reviewers**

Reviewer Kirby Hitt, M.D. has not responded to the review invitation.  
Reviewer Marvin E. Steinberg, M.D. has saved a partial review with the intention of finishing it later.  
Reviewer Henry G. Trafton, M.D. has agreed to review but has not started entering the review in the system.

**Warning!** If you Terminate All Outstanding Assignments, the submission will disappear from the menu of the Reviewer(s) identified above. You will have the opportunity to customize a notification letter for each Reviewer terminated on the assignment. You will also be able to re-invite Reviewers who have been terminated on this assignment later, if necessary.

Do you want to terminate the Reviewer assignment(s) above, so you can Submit a Decision for this manuscript?

[No, go to Reviewer Selection Summary Page](#)

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NOTE: The Editor is not prohibited from terminating a Reviewer or Editor assignment; even if the person has a Partial Review Saved or a Partial Decision Saved, there is simply a warning.

If the Editor decides to proceed with the termination, he is prompted to send a letter to the Reviewer(s) and/or Editor being terminated. He can personalize the letter(s) by clicking the 'Customize' link for a particular letter, or simply send the default letter.

**TERMINATE ASSIGNMENTS - CUSTOMIZE LETTERS**

You are not required to send notification letters to Reviewers and/or Editors if they are terminated from the assignment. However, if you do not send a letter, the assignment will 'disappear from the Reviewer's or Editor's folders with no explanation. Therefore, it is recommended that you send a Termination Letters, explaining to the person why his/her services are no longer needed for this assignment.

Click [Customize](#) if you want to personalize a particular letter. Once you have customized a letter, an asterisk is displayed next to the person's name. If you do not explicitly customize the letter for a particular person, the default letter will be sent.

To change the letter sent to an individual person, click the Letter drop-down box next to that person's name and select a different letter. Note: if you personalize a letter, and then select a new letter, your personalized text will be lost.

Name	Letter	
Carlos J. Lavernia (Reviewer)	Nice Terminate Assignment Letter	<a href="#">Customize</a>
Philip Faris (Reviewer)	Nice Terminate Assignment Letter	<a href="#">Customize</a>
Rhonda Reviewer (Reviewer)	Harsh Terminate Assignment Letter Nice Terminate Assignment Letter	<a href="#">Customize</a>
Robert A Arciero (Reviewer)	Nice Terminate Assignment Letter	<a href="#">Customize</a>
Black Cat (Reviewer)	Nice Terminate Assignment Letter	<a href="#">Customize</a>

The Editor may also decide to terminate the outstanding assignments without sending any letters, by clicking the 'Terminate without Sending Letters' button.

NOTE: If the journal has not created/modified any letters in the Terminate Assignments letter family in PolicyManager, this entire page is skipped (no letters will be sent) and the Editor will proceed with his decision.

TO CONFIGURE: To grant an Editor with decision-making privileges permission to terminate outstanding assignments, go to Editor RoleManager and check the box 'Terminate Outstanding Reviewer and Editor Assignments when Making a Decision'.

NOTE: This checkbox is disabled unless the 'Make a Decision' box is checked.

NOTE: At time of upgrade, all Editor Roles with permission to 'Make a Decision' will automatically have the permission 'Terminate Outstanding Reviewer and Editor Assignments when Making a Decision' enabled. Traditionally, new permissions are disabled at time of upgrade, to avoid introducing new features without the journal's knowledge. This case is different; since all Editors with permission to 'Make a Decision'

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can already terminate outstanding assignments, they should continue to have the same privilege when the site is upgraded.

Editor Decisions

Make a Decision


Terminate Outstanding Reviewer and Editor Assignments when Making a Decision

Skipped in Decision Chain if Decision IS

Skipped in Decision Chain if Decision IS NOT

Ready  
A-Revise  
B-Revise  
C+-Revise

Ready  
A-Revise  
B-Revise  
C+-Revise



The journal may opt to modify or create new letters applicable to termination. To do this, go to the E-mail and Letter Policies section of PolicyManager, and click the 'Edit Letters' link. You can create a new letter(s), or change existing letters to be associated with the new 'Terminate Assignments' letter family.

NOTE: If you do not have any letters associated with the 'Terminate Assignments' letter family, the Editor will not be able to send any letters when terminating outstanding assignments.

### Edit 'Terminate Assignments' Letter

Letter Purpose:

Subject:

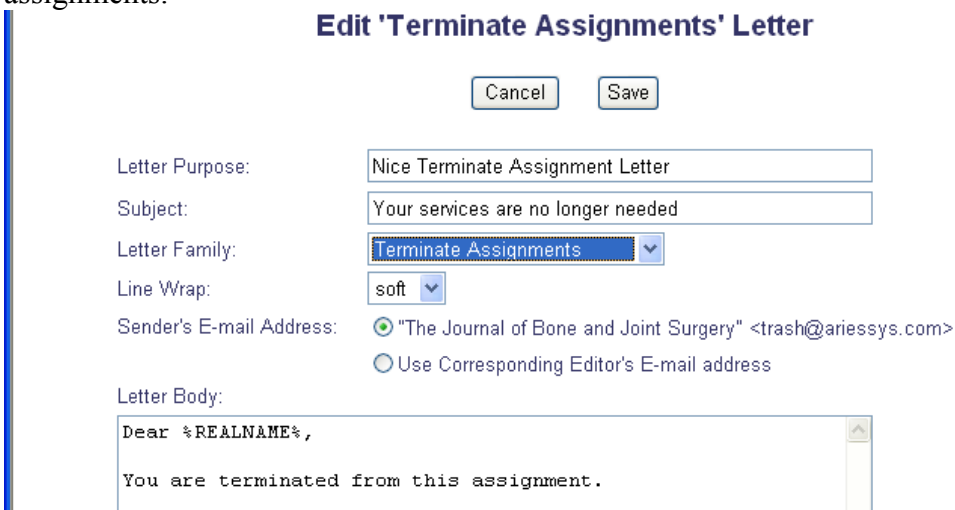
Letter Family:

Line Wrap:

Sender's E-mail Address:  "The Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery" <trash@ariessys.com>  
 Use Corresponding Editor's E-mail address

Letter Body:

Dear %REALNAME%,  
You are terminated from this assignment.



## Enhanced Information for Editors Making Decisions

In EM version 4.0 and below, the descriptions of outstanding assignments on the Submit Editor's Decision and Comments page are as follows:

- Outstanding Reviewer assignments are designated as 'Reviewer Invited' or 'Agreed to Review' (unless a review has been submitted).
- Outstanding Editor assignments are designated as 'No Decision' (unless a decision has been made).

A new enhancement provides more descriptive information about the outstanding assignments, so the Editor has more thorough information when deciding whether to move forward with a decision. The following additional information is now provided on the Submit Editor's Decision and Comments page:

1. Partial Review Saved – This new designation indicates that the Reviewer has already started entering his recommendation in the system, has clicked the "Save & Submit Later" button. This new status is displayed on the Reviewer Selection Summary page and the Assignment Status Report.
2. Editor Invited – The Editor has been invited to be an Editor for the manuscript, but has not yet agreed or declined to take on the assignment.
3. Assigned - No Decision – Editor agreed to take on the assignment or was automatically assigned to a manuscript, but has not yet started entering his decision in the system.
4. Partial Decision Saved - An Editor has started making his decision (e.g. entering Comments) and has clicked the "Save & Submit Later" button.

**Editor-in-Chief Decision and Comments for Manuscript Number JBJS-D-03-01186**

**Avascular necrosis of bone : early onset during treatment of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)**

Original Submission  
Gene Hackman, M.D. (Editor-in-Chief)

This submission has outstanding Reviewer and/or Editor assignments. If you would like to terminate these assignments and proceed with your decision, please click the Terminate Outstanding Assignments and Proceed button.

[Details](#)
[History](#)
[Similar Articles in MEDLINE](#)
[Invite Reviewers](#)
[View Manuscript Rating Card](#)

Original Submission	
<a href="#">Nobuhiko Sugano, MD (Reviewer 1)</a>	C+
<a href="#">Marvin E. Steinberg, M.D. (Reviewer 2)</a>	Partial Review Saved
<a href="#">Henry G. Trafton, M.D. (Reviewer 3)</a>	Agreed to Review
<a href="#">Kirby Hitt, M.D.</a>	Reviewer Invited
<a href="#">Gene Hackman, M.D. (Editor-in-Chief)</a>	Assigned - No Decision
Author Decision Letter	
<a href="#">Kwok Chuen Wong (Author)</a>	

**Confidential Comments to Editor**

Reviewer, Nobuhiko Sugano, MD: we shall see

**Comments to Author**

Reviewer #1: can i see ratings?

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## Reviewer Names Removed from Notify Author Page

Starting with EM version 4.0, a “Reviewer Notification” letter can be configured for thanking Reviewers and informing Reviewers of the Editor’s Decision. During the Notify Author Step, the Editor has the option to send out a Reviewer Notification to the Reviewer(s) of that manuscript. After the Author Notification Letter is set up, EM moves directly to the Reviewer Notification Letters screen.

Since this feature is now available, it is no longer necessary to allow Reviewers to be carbon copied (cc:’ed) on the Notify Author (Decision) letter. This specification removes the following items from the Notify Author page:

- The subheading “Reviewers Assigned to Manuscript”.
- The list of Reviewer Names.
- The Reviewer-related instructions: “These Reviewers are NOT automatically copied on this Decision Letter. You may copy them by entering the e-mail addresses into the 'cc' box below. NOTE: This is NOT a Blind Carbon Copy function. Copying the Reviewers will reveal the identity of the Reviewers to the Author, and vice versa.”
- The cc: text box, that allows entry of an e-mail address, is retained.

TO CONFIGURE: No configuration is necessary.

**NOTIFY AUTHOR FOR MANUSCRIPT NUMBER CAROLINETEST50-D-06-00011 "TEST MANUSCRIPT"**

Cancel Preview Letter Save and Continue Editing Save and Send Later Send Now

Editor Decision: Accept

Modify Decision: Accept

From: "American Journal of Ophthalmology EM System" <cwebber@ariessys.com>

To: [Ed J Editor, MD](#)

Letter Purpose: Editor Decision - Accept

Letter Subject: Your Submission to The American Journal

cc: Editors Assigned to Manuscript

The Editors assigned to the current version of the submission are shown below. Check the box under cc: (carbon copy) to copy an Editor on the letter. Additional recipients can be copied by typing their email addresses into the blank boxes next to cc:. Multiple email addresses can be included, separated by semicolons (;).

[Ed J Editor, MD \(Editor-in-Chief\)](#)

cc:

Line Wrap: soft

Letter Body: [Insert Special Character](#) [Open in New Window](#)

## Reviewer Notification Letters

A Reviewer can be sent a custom letter when a Decision Letter is sent to the Author. During the Notify Author Step, the Editor has the option to send out a Reviewer Notification to the Reviewer(s) of that manuscript. After the Author Notification Letter is set up, EM moves directly to the Reviewer Notification Letters screen.

A setting in PolicyManager, Edit Editor Decision Terms, allows the journal to configure a Reviewer Notification Letter to be associated with each Author Notification Letter (Editor Decision Letter). A different Reviewer Notification Letter can be configured for each Editor Decision Term.

The Reviewer Notification Letter is displayed immediately after the Editor sends the Author Notification Letter (Decision Letter) to the Author, and can be customized before being sent.

#### Reviewer Notification Letters

The following Reviewers have submitted reviews for this manuscript. Click the link in the [Reviewer Notification Letter](#) column if you want to customize a particular letter. Once you have customized a letter, an asterisk is displayed next to the person's name. If you do not explicitly customize the letter for a particular person, the default letter will be sent.

If there is a person in the list to whom you do not want to send a letter, check the "Do Not Send Letter" box next to that person's name. When you click "Send All Letters", that person will not be sent a letter.

[Continue Without Sending Any Reviewer Letters](#) [Send All Letters](#)

Reviewer	Manuscript Number	Revisions Reviewed	Article Title	Reviewer Notification Letter	Do Not Send Letter
Erwin Schrödinger (Reviewer)	TARATEST50-D-06-00008	Original Submission	Cats, Boxes and Change: A Study	<a href="#">Reviewer Notification of Decision</a>	<input type="checkbox"/>

[Continue Without Sending Any Reviewer Letters](#) [Send All Letters](#)

The Author Notification Letter (Decision Letter) can be inserted into the Reviewer Notification Letter and can be blinded before it is sent to the Reviewer. A new merge field is created for use in the Reviewer Notification letters: %DECISION\_LETTER%. This merge field %DECISION\_LETTER% pulls in the blinded or unblinded version of the decision letter, depending on the permission of the Reviewer recipient in Reviewer RoleManager.

**TO CONFIGURE LETTERS:** The configuration process for this function is very similar to that of the Editor Decision-Author Notification Letters. You must first create Reviewer Notification Letters in PolicyManager. Go to PolicyManager, then to the Email and Letter Policies submenu and click on Edit Letters. Click on the 'Add New Letter' button. From the Add New Letter page, enter the 'Letter Purpose' and 'Subject', and then select the 'Reviewer Notification' Letter Family.

If you already have a Letter that you would like to use for this purpose, then click on the Edit link next to that Letter. On the 'Edit Letter' page, go to the Letter Family dropdown box and select the 'Reviewer Notification' Letter Family.

By assigning the Letter to the 'Reviewer Notification' Letter Family you will make the Letter available for selection on the Edit Editor Decision Terms page.

After one or more Reviewer Notification Letters are created, go to the Reviewer and Editor Form Policies submenu, and under the Editor Decision Policies heading click the 'Edit Editor Decision Terms' link.

Different Reviewer Notification Letters can be associated with different Decision Terms, or you can associate one Reviewer Notification Letter with all Decision Terms. To select which Reviewer Notification Letter goes with which Decision Term click on the Edit link associated with the desired Decision Term.

On the Add/Edit Decision Term page, click the dropdown box labeled 'Reviewer Notification Letter'. The dropdown box will display all letters in the Reviewer Notification Letter Family. Select the letter that you wish to associate with the specific Decision Term you are working with.

NOTE: Journals can use this feature to simply thank reviewers for their participation or to let reviewers know of decisions made on manuscripts they have reviewed.

### Transmittal Form Enhancements

Two minor enhancements have been made to the Transmittal Form configuration:

- Drop-down menus and scrollable text boxes can now be included as user defined fields on the Transmittal Form.
- The checkbox "Include Metadata in release to production" may now be suppressed on the Transmittal Form. If this checkbox is suppressed, the default behavior is to include metadata in the release to production.

TO CONFIGURE: Go to PolicyManager, Transmittal Form section. Click one of the 'Add/Edit' links (e.g. Add/Edit Manuscript Metadata Fields). Then click the 'Edit' link to edit a specific field (or click the 'Add' button to add a new field). To add or change a field to a Notes field (text area), select 'Notes' for the Transmittal Field Type. To add or change a field to a drop-down field, select 'List' from the Transmittal Field Type drop-down box, then click the 'View/Edit Values for Drop-down list' link. This brings up the 'Configure Values for Drop-Down List' page, where values can be added and re-ordered, and the default value selected. Values which have been attached to submissions but are no longer needed can be hidden by clicking the Edit link next to a particular value.

Example of Edit Metadata page with 'Notes' selected from the drop-down menu:

### Edit Journal Defined Manuscript Metadata Field

**Field Description:** [Insert Special Character](#)  
 Number of Color Figures  
*Maximum 256 characters*

**Field Type:** Notes

**Maximum Field Length:**   
*(A value from 1 to 20000)*

**Default Value for Field:**  
*If 'None' is selected, an empty text box will appear if the checkbox 'Editable' is checked in the grid below.*

None  
 Single Value (enter value below) [Insert Special Character](#)

**Options**  
 Select the 'Hide' checkbox to suppress the field. If a field is Editable, users with appropriate RoleManager permission can change the value on the page. If the 'Required' box is checked for the Transmittal Form, a value must be filled in before the submission can be released to production. If Help Text is entered, a 'Help' link is displayed on the appropriate page, which opens a pop-up containing the Help Text.

Page	Hide	Editable	Required	Help Text
Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Insert Special Character</a> Please input the number of color figures associated with this submission.

Example of the 'Configure Values for Drop-down List' page (appears when the View/Edit Values for Drop-Down list link is clicked).

### Configure Values For Drop-down List

Enter the values to appear in a drop-down list on the pages where the field is displayed. The description will be displayed to the user, but will not be transmitted if the field is included on the Transmittal Form. Entering a Description is optional, and should only be entered if you want it to display (alongside the drop-down value) in the drop-down list.

[Insert Special Character](#)

Drop-down Value:

Description:   
*Maximum 100 characters*

Example after one or more values are configured.

### Configure Values For Drop-down List

Enter the values to appear in a drop-down list on the pages where the field is displayed. The description will be displayed to the user, but will not be transmitted if the field is included on the Transmittal Form. Entering a Description is optional, and should only be entered if you want it to display (alongside the drop-down value) in the drop-down list.

Please select the default value (which will be pre-selected when the drop-down list is displayed to users):

Display Order	Select Default Value	Drop-down Value	Drop-down Description		
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Please Choose a Value			
<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="radio"/>	RKEL	Ryan Kelly	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="text" value="3"/>	<input type="radio"/>	EDE	Ed Editor	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="text" value="4"/>	<input type="radio"/>	TMUR	Tim Murphy	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>
<input type="button" value="Update Item Order"/>					
		TEST	Test Editor	<a href="#">Remove</a>	<a href="#">Edit</a>

[Insert Special Character](#)

Drop-down Value:

Description:   
*Maximum 100 characters*

Example of 'Edit' page, allowing hiding:

### Edit Value

[Insert Special Character](#)

Drop-down Value:

Description:   
*Maximum 100 characters*

**Hide** When you **Hide** a value, the value will be deactivated (not available for selection on the pages where the Additional Field is displayed). It will continue to display for any submissions to which it is already attached.

**TO CONFIGURE REMOVAL OF THE METADATA CHECKBOX:** Go to PolicyManager, Transmittal Form section, Edit Transmittal Form Layout page. Uncheck the box "Display the 'Include Metadata in release to production' checkbox on the transmittal form". This checkbox will then be removed from the transmittal form.

## Edit Transmittal Form Layout

Cancel

Save

Display the 'Include Metadata in release to production' checkbox on the transmittal form.

Enter the text to appear at the top of the Transmittal Form (not transmitted but available for printing):

[Insert Special Character](#)

The transmittal form below will be sent to Elsevier Production when you set the Final Disposition on this article. If you have not done so already, please complete this form. Items with an asterisk (\*) are required. If required information is missing, a <FONT color="red"> red cross </font>will show up next to the required field. In addition, please verify all manuscript and author data.

*Maximum 1,000 characters*

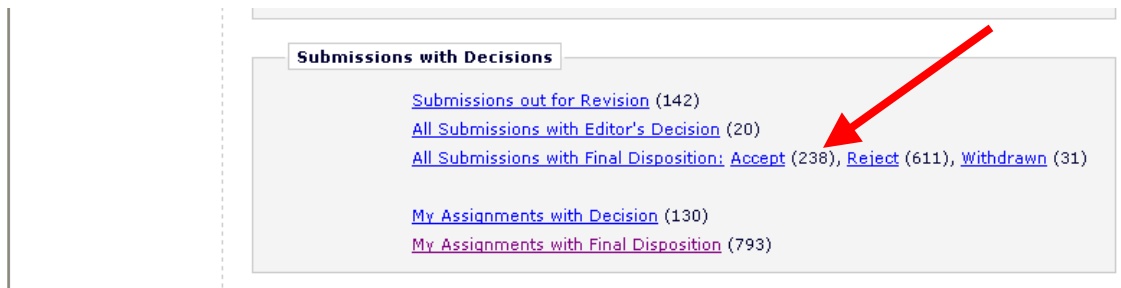
Select the order in which the items on the Transmittal Form should appear. To re-order the items, simply change the number for one item, click the 'Update Order' button, and all of the fields will re-

## Streamlined Folders for Submissions with Final Disposition

In EM version 4.0 and below, the All Submissions with Final Disposition folder on the Editor Main Menu contains manuscripts with all final disposition terms: Accept, Reject and Withdrawn. Over time, this folder can become extremely large and therefore difficult to manage.

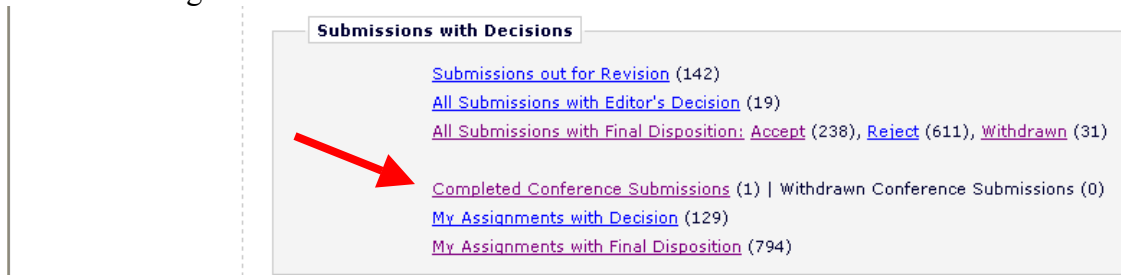
In version 5.0, this folder is divided into three ‘sub-folders’: Accept, Reject, and Withdrawn. This allows Editors to view only accepted submissions, and not be hindered by rejected and withdrawn submissions.

NOTE: The entire folder (with all final disposition terms) is still available by clicking the ‘All Submissions with Final Disposition’ link.



For journals that use Editorial Manager for conference submissions, there are also two new folders on the Editor Main Menu: Completed Conference Submissions and Withdrawn Conference Submissions.

NOTE: These links are only displayed for users with Editor RoleManager permission to ‘Search/Manage Conference Submissions’.



TO CONFIGURE: No configuration is required.

## Online Publication Date Added to Publish Information Page

A new field called “Online Publication Date” has been added to the Publish Information page.

The Publish Information page is accessed once a submission is given a Final Disposition of Accept. The data on the Publish Information page is entered manually.

**Publish Information for Manuscript Number: JXYZ23R1**  
**John MacJohn (UNITED KINGDOM)**

You can enter the Actual Publication Data manually.

Cancel Submit

Actual Submission Publication Data	
Online Publication Date:	<input type="text"/> (mm/dd/yyyy)
Publication Date:	<input type="text"/> (mm/dd/yyyy)
Number of Pages:	<input type="text"/>
Start Page:	<input type="text"/>
End Page:	<input type="text"/>
Volume Number:	<input type="text"/>
Issue Number:	<input type="text"/>
TOC Position:	<input type="text"/>
DOI:	<input type="text"/>

Cancel Submit

TO CONFIGURE: No configuration is necessary.



## Support for ISO-3166 Newsletter Versions 9 and 10

The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) has issued versions 9 and 10 of the ISO country list (ISO standard 3166). These lists are now available for use by Editorial Manager users.

Changes include:

- Version 9 adds the country name Åland Islands.
- Version 10 changes the name ‘Islamic State of Afghanistan’ to ‘The Transitional Islamic State of Afghanistan’.

**TO CONFIGURE:** Go to PolicyManager, General Policies, And Set ISO Country Standard. The currently selected newsletter is shown in the drop-down menu. To select a different newsletter, use the drop-down menu and click the ‘Submit’ button. Newsletter versions can be viewed and downloaded from this page as well.

Role: Editor-in-Chief      EM version: 3.0

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### Set ISO Country Standard

Select an ISO 3166-1 Newsletter version from the drop-down menu.

Choose ISO Standard:

<a href="#">View ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-9</a>	<a href="#">Download ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-9</a>
<a href="#">View ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-8</a>	<a href="#">Download ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-8</a>
<a href="#">View ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-7</a>	<a href="#">Download ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-7</a>
<a href="#">View ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-6</a>	<a href="#">Download ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-6</a>
<a href="#">View ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-5</a>	<a href="#">Download ISO 3166-1 Newsletter V-5</a>
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## File Archiving

Some publishers may want to encourage and/or require that journals implement a data archiving policy. The benefit of archiving old or abandoned data is increased storage capacity and optimal performance of the ‘primary’ database servers (those servers accessed by EM users). There are essentially two options for data archiving:

1. Delete files (after a pre-determined length of time)
2. Archive files – move the data to a ‘secondary’ server, or store on some sort of media (CD, tape, etc.). Note there may be additional costs associated with this service, which would be negotiated and administered at the hosting partner level.

The archive policy allows submissions with different final disposition terms and file types to be archived at different time intervals. For example, a journal might archive accepted submissions after 2 years, but archive rejected and withdrawn submissions after 90 days. The journal might want to keep the submission PDFs around for a whole year, but delete the figures, tables and other source files after 90 days.

The archive policy also allows the journal to specify the number of days after which incomplete submissions with the Author will be deleted. There is also an opportunity to send a letter to the Author, notifying him both before and after the submission has been deleted.

NOTE: The metadata for the submission (Article Title, Author, etc.) is retained permanently in EM for all submissions, regardless of the archive policy. Archiving applies solely to the source files and PDFs associated with the submission.

TO CONFIGURE: The primary configuration (creation and assignment of an archive policy for the publication) is performed outside of Editorial Manager. Once an archive policy has been established for a publication, the journal would be able to customize the text users would see in EM if they tried to access a file that has been archived (in PolicyManager).

## New Merge Fields

Four new merge fields that can be used in Letters have been added to EM.

**%ARTICLE\_SHORT\_TITLE%**. Inserts the Short Title in Letters and in third party bibliographic searches.

**%TECHNICAL\_COMMENTS\_TO\_AUTHOR%**. Inserts the latest entry in the Technical Comments to Author box for the latest revision. This merge field can be inserted into any Author letter that is associated with a manuscript.

**%TECHNICAL\_NOTES%**. Inserts the contents of the 'Technical Notes to Editor' box. This merge field can be inserted into any Editor or Publisher letter that is associated with a manuscript.

**%PROD\_NOTES%**. Inserts the contents of the 'Production Notes' box. This merge field can be inserted into any Editor or Publisher letter that is associated with a manuscript.

**%SUGGESTED\_REVIEWERS%**. Inserts the names of the reviewers suggested by the author of the manuscript, if that submission step is enabled.

**%OPPOSED\_REVIEWERS%**. Inserts the names of the reviewers to which the Author would be opposed to for his manuscript, if that submission step is enabled.

**%RESPONSE\_TO\_REVIEWERS%** Inserts the Author's response to the Reviewer's comments. This merge field is only applicable with revised manuscripts.