

Guidelines for Editors

Journal of Experimental Pharmacology and Toxicology (JEPT) · ISSN 3091-0595 · <https://j-pharmacol-tox-exp.com>

The Journal of Experimental Pharmacology and Toxicology (JEPT) is committed to maintaining the highest standards of editorial integrity, peer review, and scientific quality. Editors play a central role in ensuring that all manuscripts meet the journal's ethical, methodological, and scientific requirements.

Editorial Responsibilities

- Ensure that all submissions undergo a rigorous peer-review process, with at least two independent expert reviewers.
- Evaluate manuscripts solely on their academic merit, originality, clarity, and relevance to the aims and scope of the journal, without regard to authors' gender, ethnicity, institutional affiliation, or nationality.
- Safeguard the confidentiality of submitted manuscripts and reviewer identities throughout the review process.
- Identify and manage conflicts of interest transparently, both for editors and reviewers.
- Make fair, unbiased, and timely editorial decisions, providing constructive feedback to authors.

Ethical Oversight

JEPT adheres to the **ICMJE Recommendations** and international ethical standards, including the **Declaration of Helsinki** for human research, **EU Directive 2010/63** for animal research, and **CITES** guidelines for plant studies. Editors are responsible for verifying that manuscripts provide appropriate ethical approval and informed consent statements.

Commitment to Quality

The editors ensure that published research:

- Aligns with the **Aims and Scope of JEPT**, covering pharmaceutical sciences, pharmacology, toxicology, and drug discovery.
- Promotes transparency and reproducibility by requiring detailed methodological reporting.
- Contributes to bridging the gap between experimental research and clinical practice.

Editorial Process

- **Initial Screening:** Manuscripts are checked for compliance with journal scope, formatting, and ethical standards.
- **Peer Review:** Assigned editors coordinate the double-blind peer review process.
- **Decision:** Based on reviewers' recommendations, editors decide to accept, revise, or reject manuscripts.

- **Final Approval:** Accepted manuscripts are prepared for publication, ensuring scientific quality and clarity.

Editors' Own Submissions and Appeals

- Manuscripts submitted by editors or editorial board members are handled by another editor with no involvement of the authoring editor, and undergo the same double-blind peer review.
- Authors may appeal editorial decisions by contacting the Editors-in-Chief; appeals and complaints are handled following COPE guidance.
- JEPT follows the COPE Core Practices; see the Journal Policies page (<https://j-pharmacol-tox-exp.com/page/12>).