

## **Peer Review Process of *Journal of Oral Science Research***

### **DESCRIPTION**

The aim of peer review process is to ensure that high quality and original scientific studies are published. All published articles in *Journal of Oral Science Research (JOSR)* are peer reviewed and all manuscripts submitted follow the procedure outlined below.

### **INITIAL MANUSCRIPT EVALUATION**

All manuscripts submitted for publication in *JOSR* are firstly evaluated by the Editors in the Editorial Office and Editorial Board. Manuscripts which fall outside the aims and scope of the journal or are not enough for requirements of a scientific study are rejected or asked some revisions at this initial point.

### **POLICY OF PEER REVIEW**

*JOSR* employs single-blind reviewing, where the referees remain anonymous to the authors throughout the process.

### **REFEREE EVALUATION**

After initial evaluation, the manuscripts are sent to two referees, who are determined by the Editors and/or Editorial Board. If necessary, the number of referees can be increased by Editor or Editorial Board. The referees are chosen from referee board according to their expertise.

Referees are asked to evaluate the manuscript's originality, methodology, contribution to the literature, presentation of results and support for the conclusions, and appropriate referencing of previous relevant studies. Referees might accept the manuscript, reject the manuscript or might require a revision for style and/or content. For publication of articles, two positive reports are required. In case one referee report is negative while the other is positive, the article is forwarded to a third referee for addition evaluation. The evaluation should be completed within one month.

When a revision is required by the referee or referees, the author(s) should consider the criticism and suggestions offered by the referees, and send back the revised version of manuscript within 30 days. Revised manuscripts returned after 30 days will be considered as a new submissions and peer review process is started from the beginning. Referees may request more than one revision of a manuscript. Manuscripts which are not accepted for publication are not re-sent to their authors. Each revision should be re-evaluated by the referees within 15 days.

### **FINAL EVALUATION**

After favorable opinions of referees, the team of Editors-in-Chief is made the final evaluation. The articles accepted for publication are placed in an issue sequence.

## Flow Chart of Manuscript Treatment Process

