

# Visual Guide to Editorial Manager

#### QUICK AND EASY EDITORS GUIDE TO EDITORIAL MANAGER

The following is the step-by-step process for the submission and handling of manuscripts on this system.

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# I. How to log into Editorial Manager?

Enter Your Username and Password, click Editor Login.

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| Description Springer   |  |
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# **II. Editor Main Menu**

**Note**: For the purposes of this tutorial, the Editor role will be referred to as 'Editor.' If any of the features shown in this menu or tutorial are not visible to a particular role, the journal has not assigned that permission for the 'Editor role'.

The Editor Main Menu is divided into sections.

#### **Overview of Editor Main Menu**



#### Most important part of the menu: The Editor-To-Do List



Note: Same paper might be available in one or more folders based on the status.

## **III. Manuscript has been submitted:**

#### Editor Main Menu:

| <ul> <li>Click "<u>New</u></li> </ul>    | <u>/ Assignments</u> ".   |                            |                            |                             |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Submissions W                            | /ith:                     |                            |                            |                             |
| <u>0 Reviews</u><br><u>Complete</u><br>8 | 1 Review<br>Complete<br>0 | 2 Reviews<br>Complete<br>O | 3 Reviews<br>Complete<br>0 | 4+ Reviews<br>Complete<br>0 |
| Search                                   |                           |                            |                            |                             |
|  | Search Submissi           | ons   <u>Search Peo</u> j  | <u>ple</u>                 |                             |
| Editor 'To-Do' I                         | List                      |                            |                            |                             |
| My F                                     | ending Assignmer          | nts (7)                    |                            |                             |
| ( ( )                                    | New Assignment            | <u>s (2)</u>               |                            |                             |
|  | Submissions with          | Required Review            | <u>s Complete</u> (1)      |                             |
|  | Submissions Req           | uiring Additional R        | <u>eviewers</u> (3)        |                             |
|  | Submissions with          | One or More Lat            | <u>e Reviews</u> (2)       |                             |
| Revi                                     | ews in Progress (7        | 7)                         |                            |                             |
|  | Reviewers Invite          | d - No Response            | (6)                        |                             |
|  | Submissions Und           | <u>er Review</u> (4)       |                            |                             |

#### **Revealing the Action Links:**

• Next to the word "Action", click the plus sign [+] to see the list of Action Links. Alternatively, you can hold your mouse over the "Action Links" button to reveal the list of Actions you can take for this manuscript.

| New Editor As   | signments -                |                 |  |                           |                           |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| Contents: These | e are submissions tha      | t have been As  | signed to the Editor. They require one of the following: another Editor assignment, Revi | ewer invitations, or Deci | sion. Use the u           | p/down arrow         |
|                 |                            | Page: 1 of      | (2 total submissions)  | Display                   | 10 💌 result               | s per page.          |
| Action 🔺        | Manuscript<br>Number<br>▲▼ | Article<br>Type | Article<br>Title   | Author<br>Name            | Initial Date<br>Submitted | Status<br>Date<br>▲▼ |
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| Action Links    | -D-13-00024R1              | Original Paper  |  |                           | 11 Mar 2013               | 04 Dec 2013          |

| New Editor Assignments - Martin Bu  | ırchardt, MD, F            | hD                  |  |                   |                                 |                      |                  |
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| View Submission<br>Details<br>Initiate Discussion<br>History<br>File Inventory<br>Classifications<br>Unassign Editor<br>Assign Editor<br>Invite Reviewers<br>View Reviewers<br>Similar Articles in MEDLINE<br>Google Scholar Title Search<br>Google Scholar Author Search<br>AuthorMapper Title Search<br>AuthorMapper Title Search<br>Submit Editor's Decision and Comments<br>Send E-mail | )-                         | Letter to<br>Editor | p'ann de set alm with bennes when it is not mediates it forth, to , We and des abarrance<br>c<br>t | <b>i</b> -        | )6 Nov<br>2013                  | 15 Dec<br>2013       | Editor<br>Assign |

#### See the 'Action Links' revealed below:

The EiC can either make an immediate decision on the manuscript (see VII) or select and invite reviewers (see V) or assign the manuscript to one of the associate editors (See IV).

#### Further actions: Viewing the Manuscript, Details and History, Send e-mails.

- Click "<u>View Submission</u>" to view the manuscript.
- Click "Details" to view author information, keywords, author comments, Editor information and reviewer Information. Within "Details", you can also make notes about the manuscript, change reviewer and author due dates.
- Click "History" to view status history of the manuscript as well as the correspondence that has been sent out for that manuscript, through the system. You can also re-send letters through the correspondence.

Send E-mail option in the Action Links: is also referred to as an 'Ad Hoc' e-mail and allows communication between people associated with the submission. Editors, Authors or Reviewers can send e-mail messages using this option, for example: to provide instructions, clarify a point, make a request, etc. 'Ad Hoc' e-mail feature includes 'pre-configured' letters that can be sent by specific roles, to specific individuals.

Click on the down arrow to view the letters that have been configured for the Editor role.



Select the letter that best matches the enquiry, and click on the button labeled 'Customize Letter'. The text can be modified as required.

**Note** It is highly recommended to use the send email option for communication with any user (author/reviewer/editor) of a paper, as they get registered in the History of the manuscript and we could have a track of all the communications done with respect to the paper.

| View Submission  |          |                |                      |              |         |            |                      |
|--|----------|----------------|----------------------|--------------|---------|------------|----------------------|
| Details<br>History<br>Assign Editor  | TRIAL207 | Clinical Study | Sample<br>Submission | antonio      | Sep 22, | Sep<br>23, | Editor<br>Assignment |
| AuthorMapper Author Search<br>AuthorMapper Title Search<br>Submit Editor's Decision and Comments |          |                |                      | ruqqiero, mb | 2013    | 2013       | Pending              |
| View Submission  |          |                |                      |              |         |            |                      |

# IV. Assigning/Inviting an Editor:

There are two ways in which Editors get assigned to submissions, depending upon the journals requirement and configurations:

**Assignment (Mode)** - Editors in EM can be assigned to papers, without being given the opportunity to Decline the assignment.

**Invitation (Mode)** - Editors are sent an e-mail invitation asking them to take on an assignment. The Editor must Agree or Decline to take the assignment.

To assign/invite an Editor click on the "Assign Editor" link, **select** an appropriate Editor from the list of subordinate editors and then click on the '**Send Custom Letter**' to send a customized letter to the Inviting/Assigning editor.

| Select | Editor Role  | Editor Name | Current Assignments | # Classification Matches | Classification Matches | Available during next 7 days |
|--------|--|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 0      | Editor   |             | 0                   | <u>0</u>                 |                        | Yes                          |
| 0      | Editor   |             | 0                   | <u>0</u>                 |                        | Yes                          |
|        | Editor in Chief<br>(This editor is already<br>assigned to the current<br>submission) |             | 2                   | <u>0</u>                 |                        | Yes                          |
| 0      | Editor in Chief  |             | 2                   | <u>0</u>                 |                        | Yes                          |
| 0      | Editorial Board member   |             | 0                   | <u>0</u>                 |                        | Yes                          |
|        |  |             |                     |                          |                        |                              |

Select an appropriate letter from the pull down menu. Click on the "Customize" link to view the assignment letter and to incorporate any specific comments for the editor regarding the paper.

| Editor Being Assigned |  |           |                    |
|-----------------------|--|-----------|--------------------|
| Name                  | Letter   |           | Do Not Send Letter |
| Associate Editor      | Editor Assignment - ME assigns EIC *  None Editor Invitation: EIC invites AE * Editor Assignment Undone * Editor Assignment - EIC assigns AE * Cand Editor Assignment - ME assigns EIC * end Letters | Customize |                    |

Click on the "Confirm Selection and Send Letters" button to complete the assignment process.

| Name             | Letter                                 |                  | Do Not Send Letter |
|------------------|--|------------------|--------------------|
| Associate Editor | Editor Assignment - EIC assigns AE * 💌 | <u>Customize</u> |                    |

If the journal follows an **Assignment Mode**, the new assignment will appear in the '**New Assignments**' folder, for the subordinate Editor.

If the journal follows the **Invitation Mode**, the new assignment will appear in the '**New Invitations**' folder and he will have the options: "**Yes I will take this Assignment**" and "**No I will not take this Assignment**" in the action links to either accept or decline the assignment. Only when the Editor agrees to the invitation, he becomes an Assigned Editor. The manuscript is then sent to the 'New Assignments' folder, and follows the usual path.

| Search   |                                    |                      |                 |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Search Submissions   Search People             | New Editor Invitations -           |                      |                 |
| Editor 'To-Do' List                            | Contents: You have been invited t  | o be assigned        | the following m |
| My Pending Assignments (1)                     | Page: 1 of                         | f 1 (1 total sub     | missions)       |
| New Invitations (1)                            |                                    |                      |                 |
| New Assignments (0)                            |                                    | Manuscript<br>Number | Article<br>Type |
| Submissions with Required Reviews Complete (0) | E Action 🔺                         | ۸₹                   |                 |
| Submissions Requiring Additional Reviewers (0) | View Submission                    |                      | Original        |
| Submissions with One or More Late Reviews (0)  | Yes I will take this Assignment    | 406R3                | Research        |
| Reviews in Progress (1)                        | NO I WILL HOU CAKE CHIS ASSIGNMENT |                      |                 |
| Reviewers Invited - No Response (0)            | Page: 1 of                         | f 1 (1 total sub     | missions)       |
| Submissions Under Review (1)                   |                                    |                      |                 |

# V. Invite Reviewers

- The Invite Reviewers link can be used throughout the peer review process for inviting reviewers, until a decision has been made on the paper and the author has been informed.
- When an editor clicks on the 'Invite Reviewers' link, the 'Reviewer Selection Summary' window pops up

**Note:** You will not be able to assign the paper to an alternate editor once reviewers are invited for the manuscript.

#### Step 1: Click "Invite Reviewers".

**Step 2, optional:** On the "Reviewer Selection Summary" screen, the number of required reviews, and days after Reviewer gets un-invited or un-assigned if late, are customizable.

#### Step 3: The different modes of reviewer search available while inviting reviewers:

- > Search for Reviewers
- Search by Classification Matches
- Search by Personal Classifications
- Suggested by Author
- Suggest Reviewers
- Select from Previous Reviewers (Note: this is for revised submissions).

# The default search option available in EM is the "Search for Reviewers". The alternatives will be shown later.

Click "Go" to view the reviewers in the database.

| Reviewer Search         |  |                         |
|-------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| ● Search My Publication | Search for Reviewers   | from All Reviewers 💉 Go |
| Selected Reviewers      | Suggested by Author<br>Search by Classification Matches<br>Search by Personal Classifications<br>Suggest Reviewers |                         |

The Editor may search for either a specific Reviewer role or All Reviewer roles or the Entire database:

| <b>Reviewer Search</b>  |                      |        |   |    |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--------|---|----|
| ● Search My Publication | Search for Reviewers | 🗙 from | All Reviewers   | Go |
| Selected Reviewers      |                      |        | Reviewer<br>Reviewer (Editorial Board)<br>Entire Database |    |

In the "Value" box, type in the reviewer's last name. Then click "Search".

**Hint**: To see the complete list of available reviewers in alphabetical order, go to the first Value box insert one space. Then click "**Search**".

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|                       |           |            |              |             |   |       |                  |         |      | Add    |

#### **Step 4: Selecting reviewers:**

- Scroll down through your reviewer candidates. You can select as many reviewers as you wish, but remember, there is a minimum number of required reviews as indicated in **Step 2** above.
- > To invite a reviewer, click the **Inv**. box and for selecting alternate reviewers click **Alt** to the left of the reviewer's name.
- Scroll to the bottom and click **Proceed**.

If your candidate is not amongst the listed persons, you can easily register somebody new: see Register and Invite New Reviewer

|  | Select a checkbox by | each perso      | on you wish to select as a Revie | awer (more).                                |              |                         |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------|-------------------------|
| Page: 1 of 1 (1 total Reviewers) Display 100 💌 results per page. |                      |                 |                                  |   |              | per page.               |
| elect As<br>v. Alt.  | Reviewer<br>Name     | Board<br>Member | Classifications *                | Reviewer Statistics<br>(Agreed Invitations) |              | Invitation Statistics   |
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|  | (Reviewer)           |                 |                                  | Completed Reviews:                          | 2            | Agreed:                 |
|  | Reviewer Un-invited  |                 |                                  | Un-invited After Agreeing:                  | 0            | Declined:               |
|  |                      |                 |                                  | Terminated After Agreeing:                  | 0            | Un-invited:             |
|  |                      |                 |                                  | Last Review Agreed:                         | May 17, 2011 | Terminated:             |
|  |                      |                 |                                  | Last Review Completed:                      | May 17, 2011 | Total Invitations:      |
|  |                      |                 |                                  | Last Review Declined:                       | -            |                         |
|  |                      |                 |                                  | Avg Days Outstanding:                       | 3            |                         |
|  |                      |                 |                                  | Reviewer Rating:                            | 0            |                         |

Proceed

**Inv. (=Invite)** –By checking this box, the Reviewer will be immediately invited and sent an invitation letter. Once invited, Reviewers will appear in the Selected Reviewers section on the Reviewer Selection Summary menu.

Cancel

**Alt. (=Alternate)** –. By checking this box, the Editor chooses Alternate reviewers who can be automatically promoted if an invited reviewer declines the invitation or if EM is set to automatically 'Un-invite' a reviewer who has not responded to an invitation.

Step 5: Confirm reviewer selections, change the due date and send the letters.

- Confirm your reviewer selections and the letter to be sent.
   <u>Please Note</u>: There are different letters for the **original version** and **revised version** of the manuscript. Click the drop down button to see your choices.
- If necessary, you can change the due date.
- To edit the invitation letter, click <u>Customize</u>.
- Click "Confirm Selections and Proceed" to send the invitation letters.

#### Select Reviewers - Confirm Selection and Customize Letters

| You have selected the following people as pote | ntial Reviewers  |                |               |
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| Reviewers to Invite                            |  |                |               |
| Name   | Letter   | Days to Review | Do Not Invite |
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|  | Cancel Confirm Selections and Proceed  |                |               |

#### Alternative Reviewer Search Modes: Search by Classification Matches

If your journal is using the "Classifications" feature for manuscripts and for reviewers, in step 3, you can change the search mode to "**Search by Classification Matches**". Then click "Go".

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|   |    | Classification | Number of<br>Reviewers |
|---|----|----------------|------------------------|
| ~ | 10 | Amino acids    | 26                     |
|   | 20 | Diseases       | 27                     |
|   | 30 | Enzymes        | 25                     |

A list of Reviewers associated with the selected Classifications is displayed. The Manuscript Classifications are listed at the top of the page.

|       |           |             |                  |                      | Revie                                 | ewer Candidates                             |             |                          |    |
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|       |           |             | Page: 1 of 3 (;  | 26 total Reviewers)  |                                       | 1 2 3 >> >                                  | Display 10  | 🗸 results per page.      |    |
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| Inv.  | Select /  | As<br>Prop. | Reviewer<br>Name | Board<br>Member      | Classifications *                     | Reviewer Statistics<br>(Agreed Invitations) |             | Invitation Statistics    |    |
|       |           |             | A Author         | No                   | 3 Class matches with MS               | Reviews in Progress:                        | 1           | Outstanding Invitations: | 0  |
|       |           |             | (Referee)        |                      | * <u>Amino acids</u><br>* Discosso    | Completed Reviews:                          | 1           | Agreed:                  | 2  |
|       |           |             |                  |                      | * Enzymes                             | Un-invited After Agreeing:                  | 0           | Declined:                | 8  |
|       |           |             |                  |                      | Epidemiology                          | Terminated After Agreeing:                  | 0           | Un-invited:              | 3  |
|       |           |             |                  |                      |                                       | Last Review Agreed:                         | 24 Apr 2007 | Terminated:              | 5  |
|       |           |             |                  |                      |                                       | Last Review Completed:                      | 08 Jul 2002 | Total Invitations:       | 18 |
|       |           |             |                  |                      |                                       | Last Review Declined:                       | U2 May 2007 |                          |    |
|       |           |             |                  |                      |                                       | Avg Days Outstanding:<br>Manuscript Dating: | 0           |                          |    |
|       |           |             |                  |                      |                                       | Reviewer Rating:                            | 0           |                          |    |

Go ahead with Step 4 as described above.

#### Alternative Reviewer Search Modes: Search by Personal Classification

If your journal is using Classifications for Reviewers, you can pick the "**Search by Personal Classification**" mode. Then click **"Search for Reviewers"**.

| On the left, below, is the of<br>Classification terms that are<br>candidates associated with<br>by checking them and usin<br>maxi | complete list of Classification Terms currently assigned to people in this public<br>a not assigned will not appear in the list. If you want to search for potential Re<br>particular Classifications, transfer classifications to the "Selected Classification<br>ig the "Select->" button, then click "Search for Reviewers" to execute the sea<br>mum of 5 Classifications may be selected in any given search. | ication.<br>Reviewer<br>ions" list<br>arch. A |
|---|--|---|
|   | Manuscript Details Register and Invite New Reviewer  |   |
| Change Search Type  |  |   |
| Search My Publication   | Search by Personal Classifications 💟 from 🛛 All Reviewers 💌  | Go  |
| ÷   | Help with Searching  |   |
|   | The Classifications for this manuscript are:<br>Amino acids Diseases Enzymes   |   |
|   | Cancel Search For Reviewers  |   |

All the Classifications that are assigned to people in the system are displayed with a checkbox next to each term. The Editor can select the desired Classification Terms and then click on the 'Select' button to move them into the Selected Classifications section. A list of Reviewers associated with the selected Classifications is returned.

| <ul> <li>Amino acids</li> <li>Diseases</li> <li>Enzymes</li> <li>Epidemiology</li> <li>Gene expression</li> <li>Hormones</li> <li>Jimmunology</li> <li>Obesity</li> <li>Other subjects</li> </ul> | Select-><br><-Remove |  |
|---|----------------------|--|
|---|----------------------|--|

#### Go ahead with Step 4 as described above.

Alternative Reviewer Search Modes: Search from Previous Reviewers

| <b>Reviewer Search</b>                    |                                |    |
|---|--------------------------------|----|
| <ul> <li>Search My Publication</li> </ul> | Select from Previous Reviewers | Go |

|                          | Change Search Ty<br>Search My Public  | <b>be</b><br>ation     | Select from Previous Reviewers<br>Help with Sea |   |                              | Go                                  |
|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|                          |   |                        | Reviewer Can                                    | didates                                       |                              |                                     |
|                          | The following people have alread<br>Reviewer(more).<br>Page: 1 of 1 (3 total Re | y reviewed<br>viewers) | this manuscript. Select a cho                   | eckbox by each person you w<br>Display 11     | ish to select as             | a<br>er page.                       |
| Select<br>As<br>nv. Alt. | Reviewer<br>Name  | Board<br>Member        | Classifications*                                | Reviewer Statistics<br>(Agreed Invitations)   |                              | Invitation Statistics               |
|                          | (Reviewer)  | No                     | 1 Class match with MS<br>* 10: <u>Cosmetic</u>  | Reviews in Progress:<br>Completed Reviews:    | 0<br>3                       | Outstanding Invitations:<br>Agreed: |
|                          | (This person reviewed the previous version as Reviewer 1)                       |                        |   | Un-invited After<br>Agreeing:                 | 0                            | Declined:<br>Un-invited Before      |
|                          |   |                        |   | Terminated After<br>Agreeing:                 | 0                            | Agreeing:<br>Terminated:            |
|                          |   |                        |   | Last Review Agreed:<br>Last Review Completed: | Sep 22, 2011<br>Sep 25, 2011 | Total Invitations:                  |
|                          |   |                        |   | I act Daview Neclined                         | -                            |                                     |

Go ahead with Step 4 as described above.

#### Alternative Reviewer Search Modes: Search for Reviewers Suggested by Author

If the journal has the 'Suggest Reviewers' submission step, Authors may 'suggest' one or more Reviewers that they feel would be suitable to review the paper. The Editors may invite these reviewers using the search mode 'Suggested by Author'. This feature will be present on all Reviewer Search pages as long as the Author has suggested at least one Reviewer.



When this search mode is used, the system takes the E-mail Address(es), Last Name(s), and First Name(s) entered by the Author on the Suggest Reviewers submission step and executes a search to identify possible matches in the system.



A new 'Reviewers Suggested by Author' box is displayed, listing the Reviewer information.

#### Go ahead with Step 4 as described above.

If any Reviewers suggested by the Author are not registered in EM, a new section is displayed that lists each Reviewer with a 'Register and Select New Reviewer' link next to each person's name, so that the editor can easily register the person and select them as a Reviewer for the submission.

If your search did not yield results: Make sure that the person is not in the database

Sometimes the search for a specific person did not yield results. In this case you can easily register and invite a new reviewer. However, first it should be made sure that this person is not in the database.

When a person's name cannot be found, search for the e-mail address as an alternative:

|      | Change Search Type    |           |                  |                  |                  |        |
|------|-----------------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------|
|      | Search My Publication | Sear      | ch for Reviewers | from All Revie   | wers Go          |        |
| ch f | for Reviewers         |           |                  |                  |                  |        |
|      | Help with Searc       | hing      |                  | Insert Special C | <u>Character</u> |        |
|      | Criterion             | Is/Is not | Selector         | Value            | )                |        |
| •    | E-mail Address        | is 💌      | Contains 💌       | albert einstein  | • OR •           | Remove |
| •    | Last Name 🔹           | is 💌      | Begins With 💌    |                  | ▼ OR ▼           | Remove |
| •    | Last Name 💌           | is 💌      | Begins With 💌    |                  | ▼ OR ▼           | Remove |
| •    | Last Name 💌           | is 💌      | Begins With 💌    |                  | ▼ OR ▼           | Remove |
| •    | Last Name 💌           | is 💌      | Begins With 💌    |                  | ▼ OR ▼           | Remove |
| ¥    | Last Name 💌           | is 💌      | Begins With      |                  |                  | Remove |
|      |                       |           |                  |                  |                  | Add    |
|      |                       |           |                  |                  |                  |        |

Please also check whether the person is in the database, but without reviewer role. In this case you can easily assign the reviewer role and invite this person.

Change the search type to search not from "All reviewers", but from "Entire Database":

| Search for Reviewe | r All Reviewers - Manuscrip                | pt Number         |
|--------------------|--|-------------------|
| On Komposi         | Beatring is in Surger of                   | Submits Residuals |
|                    | Manuscript Details 🎖 Register and Select N | New Reviewer      |
|                    |  |                   |
| Change Search Type |  |                   |

In the further invitation process you will be asked to assign the reviewer role to this person before actually inviting him/her.

| ole to the peopl  | e who do not yet have role  | es. You can also check 'Do not use th<br>them.   | is Person' if you decide not to invite                            |
|---|---|--|---|
| ame   | Selected As   | Reviewer Role  | Do not use<br>this Person   |
|   | Invited   | None   |   |
| e <b>r and Invite</b><br>search did n<br>e link "Regis                          | e <b>New Reviewer</b><br>ot yield a result, you o<br>ter and Invite New Re  | can add a new reviewer to the<br>viewer" on all reviewer search  | database and invite this perso                                    |
| e <b>r and Invite</b><br>search did n<br>e link " <u>Regis</u><br>n again.      | e <b>New Reviewer</b><br>ot yield a result, you o<br>ter and Invite New Re  | can add a new reviewer to the<br><u>viewer</u> " on all reviewer search  | database and invite this perso<br>pages, partly in the top and th |
| e <b>r and Invite</b><br>search did n<br>e link " <u>Regis</u><br>a again.      | e New Reviewer<br>ot yield a result, you o<br>ter and Invite New Re<br>Register.  | can add a new reviewer to the<br>viewer" on all reviewer search<br>and Invite New Reviewer   | database and invite this perso<br>pages, partly in the top and th |
| er and Invite<br>search did n<br>e link " <u>Regis</u><br>a again.<br><u>My</u> | e New Reviewer<br>ot yield a result, you o<br>ter and Invite New Re<br>Register<br>Suggest Reviewer Preferen              | can add a new reviewer to the<br>viewer" on all reviewer search<br>and Invite New Reviewer<br>My Reviewer Display Prefere  | database and invite this perso<br>pages, partly in the top and th |
| er and Invite<br>search did n<br>e link " <u>Regis</u><br>again.<br>My          | e New Reviewer<br>ot yield a result, you o<br>ter and Invite New Re<br>Register<br>Suggest Reviewer Preferen<br>Return to | can add a new reviewer to the<br>viewer" on all reviewer search<br>and Invite New Reviewer<br>inces <u>My Reviewer Display Prefere</u><br>New Editor Assignments | database and invite this perso<br>pages, partly in the top and th |

|                | a |  |  |
|----------------|---|--|--|
| First Name *   |   |  |  |
| Last Name *    |   |  |  |
| E-mail Address |   |  |  |
|                |   |  |  |

Type the reviewer's first name, last name and email address and click "Submit".

#### Note:

When proxy registering a reviewer, if the user is already registered with the journal the below error message pops up.

|                    | Proxy Registration Error  |
|--------------------|---|
| Proxy Registration | There are one or more users already registered with this e-mail address, and you<br>may not Register a new User with a duplicate e-mail address. Click OK to return and<br>change the e-mail address you entered.<br><u>Search People</u> |
|                    | ок  |

In this case, please perform the steps as described above under *If your search did not yield results: Make sure that the person is not in the database* 

If the user is not in the database, the Proxy Registration Page will open. Select the "Reviewer Role" and "Country". Then click "Register and Do NOT Send Letter".

| User Information        |             |                 | Insert Special Chara         |
|-------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Reviewer R              | ole * None  |                 |                              |
| Default Login Role: Rev | iewer 📃     |                 |                              |
| Count                   | ry * Please | choose a countr | у                            |
|                         |             |                 |                              |
| Enter More Contact      | Information | Cancel          | Register User and Send Lett. |

The new reviewer will be listed as reviewer candidate. Please go ahead with Step 4 in the reviewer invitation process.

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# **VI. View Completed Reviews and Reviewer Attachments**

Once an invitation has been sent and reviewer agreed, the reviewer will send his review back. The handling editor will receive a notification from the system once the reviews have been completed for a paper (depending on the number of required reviews which is set for a submission). After the Editor has received this message, he/she logs in, views the reviewer comments and submits his/her decision through EM.

#### Step 1: Locate the appropriate manuscript.

Step 2: View the reviewers' comments: Click "View Reviews and Comments"

| View Submission<br>Details<br>History<br>Classifications<br>File Inventory<br>Edit Submission<br>Invite Reviewers<br>Notify Editor<br>View Reviews and Comments<br>Send E-mail | TRIAL16-D-<br>06-00069R1 | Jona's<br>Experiments<br>2006 | Balance of<br>Power | Maria Irish Aloha<br>Cubillan, Ph.D | 10/27/2006 | 02/19/200 |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----------|

Step 3: Click the <u>Recommendation Term</u> next to the reviewer's name:



Step 4:

- View the confidential comments to the Editor.
- View the comments to the author.

#### TRIAL16-D-06-00069 "Balance of Power" Original Submission

#### Katherine Verances Marfal, Bachelor's/College degree (Reviewer 1) Edit Reviewer Comments

| Reviewer Recommendation<br>Term:       | Requires Major Revisions   |  |
|--|--|--|
| Overall Reviewer Manuscript<br>Rating: | 50   |  |
| Rate Reviewer:                         | (Select 1-100)   |  |
| Comments to Editor:                    | This manuscript needs major revisions. The revised manuscript should be reconsidered and re-reviewed upon receipt. |  |
| Comments to Author:                    | Your manuscript needs major revisions. Plase take note of your purpose in writing your research article.           |  |

Step 5: If a reviewer has attached a file, click "Attachments".

| View Reviews and Com<br>Original Submission  | iments for Manu | iscript                     | and the second state of the second states |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|---|
|  | Attachments (2) | View Manuscript Rating Card | View Review Question Responses            |
|  |                 |                             | Original Submission                       |
| (Reviewer 1)   |                 |                             | Minor revisions                           |
| And the second second  |                 |                             | Reviewer Invited                          |
| THE REAL PROPERTY AND A DESCRIPTION OF A |                 |                             | Reviewer Invited                          |
| ditor in Chief)  |                 |                             |   |
| ion Letter   |                 |                             |   |
| (Author)   |                 |                             |   |

Step 6:

- Click "<u>Download</u>" to view the file.
- Click "Allow Author Access" and/or "Allow Reviewer Access" to allow the author and other reviewer's access to the attached file.

| Action   | Uploaded By                   | Editor Who Uploaded<br>Revised Attachment | Description                   | File Name                  | File<br>Size | Upload<br>Date        | Allow<br>Author<br>Access | Allow<br>Reviewe<br>Access |
|--|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| iginal Submission  |                               |   |                               |                            |              |                       |                           |                            |
| wnload<br>wnload Sanitized Copy<br>oad Revised File        | Joey Justin<br>(Reviewer 1)   | N/A                                       | One One Lovely<br>Attachment  | Reviewer<br>Attachment.doc | 25.5<br>KB   | Feb 6 2008<br>9:44AM  |                           |                            |
| wnload<br>wnload Sanitized Copy<br>oad Revised File        | George Jetson<br>(Reviewer 2) | N/A                                       | Two Two Lovely<br>Attachments | Reviewer<br>Attachment.doc | 25.5<br>KB   | Feb 6 2008<br>9:44AM  |                           |                            |
| <u>wnload</u><br>wnload Sanitized Copy<br>move             |                               | Edward Editor                             | Two Attachments               | Reviewer<br>Attachment.doc | 25.5<br>KB   | Apr 26 2010<br>4:33PM | <ul><li>✓</li></ul>       | <b>V</b>                   |
| <u>wnload</u><br>wnload Sanitized Copy<br>oad Revised File | Anthony Author<br>(Editor)    | N/A                                       | Editor Attachment             | Attachment 8<br>0.doc      | 21.5<br>KB   | Apr 23 2010<br>3:20PM | <b>V</b>                  |                            |

#### Note:

When a Reviewer or Editor uploads an Attachment, a **sanitized copy** of the uploaded attachment is made *with the personal information removed* (e.g. author information in the document properties). Sanitization is done for Word, Excel and PowerPoint files and PDFs.

### VII. Make a Publishing Decision and Notify the Author:

Editors submit their Decisions by clicking on the Action link called '**Submit Editor's Decision and Comments**'. This allows an Editor to be able to make a decision at any stage of the peer review (also before reviewers have been invited).

Step 1: Click "Submit Editor's Decision and Comments":

| Action  | Manuscript<br>Number<br>▲♥ | Article<br>Type<br>▲♥ | Article<br>Title<br>▲♥       | Author<br>Name<br>▲♥                                | Initial Date<br>Submitted | Status<br>Date<br>▲♥ | Current<br>Status<br>▲♥ |  |
|---|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--|
| View Submission<br>Details<br>History File Inventory<br>Edit Submission<br>Classifications<br>Assign Editor<br>Invite Reviewers<br>View Reviews and Comments<br>Submit Editor's Decision and Comments | TRIAL16-D-<br>06-00062R2   | Rax                   | The Big<br>Friendly<br>Giant | <u>Maria</u><br>Irish<br>Aloha<br>Cubillan,<br>Ph.D | 10/27/2006                | 02/26/2007           | Received                |  |

**Note**: If there are outstanding Reviews or Reviewer Invitations then the following page will be displayed, where the editor can terminate the review assignments by sending a customized or default letter. After the reviewer assignments or invitations have been terminated, the process will go on as usual (Step 2).

| Original<br>Archibald Crave  | Submission<br>In (Editor-in Chief)  |
|--|---|
| This submission has outstanding Reviewer and/or Editor assignments. If you would like to terminate these assignment  | ents and proceed with your decision, please click the Terminate Outstanding Assignments and Proceed button. |
| Cancel Terminate Outst   | anding Assignments and Proceed  |
| Details History Similar Articles in MEDLINE  | Invite Reviewers View Manuscript Rating Card  |
|  | Orininal Submission   |
| Alan Peter Halls (Reviewer 1)  | [Terminated by Editor-in Chief]   |
| wendy jones  | Reviewer Invited  |
| Alan Peter Halls (Associate Editor)  | Accept  |
| Archibald Craven (Editor-in Chief)   | Partial Decision Saved  |
| Author Decision Letter   |   |
| Leanne Dorn (Author)   |   |
| Manuscript Rating Question         Scale         Rating           Click on this link http://www.editorialmanager.com         [1-3]         3           The information presented was new.         [1-5]         3           The conclusions were supported by the data.         [1-10]         6 |   |

|   | Terminate Outstanding Assignments for Manuscript Number ACDEM02-D-07-00012<br>"Test Submission 2"  |
|---|--|
|   | Reviewers workdy jones has not responded to the review invitation.   |
| ŀ |  |
|   | 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 or 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?   |
|   | Yes No, go to Reviewer Selection Summary Page  |



#### Note:

There are two boxes here which will be populated with the reviewers' comments. The Editor will be able to edit the reviewers' comments, if desired.

The comments appearing in the box '**Comments to Author**' will be inserted in the decision letter. The Editor can either add their own comments in the box 'Comments to Author' or they can add it later in the decision letter if they have notify author option.

| Comments to Editor   |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
|  | Insert Special Character |
| Please add your comments that explain your reasons for your recommendation and your advice and views to the author in the box above and an<br>comments to the editor here:<br>sdgsadsg | uy confidential          |
|  |                          |
| Commente de Anthen   |                          |
|  | Insert Special Character |
| Good study bad format  |                          |
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| More Reviewer Details  |                          |

Step 3: Double-check your decision and click "Proceed"

| Draft Decision for Manuscript Nu          | umber BETSYTEST80-D-10-00002                                     |  |
|---|--|--|
| Environmental Impacts of Pesticio         | le Sprays Aimed at Eradicating Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) |  |
|   | Original Submission<br>Edward Editor, MD                         |  |
|   | Back         Edit Decision         Print         Proceed         |  |
| Decision: Minor Revision                  | Overall Manuscript Rating (1-100):                               |  |
| Confidential Comments to Editor           |  |  |
| Is the Author of this Perspective article | e well known?  |  |
| Are there any financial conflicts of inte | rest on the part of the Author?                                  |  |
| Is the Author of this Perspective article | a well known?  |  |
| Are there any financial conflicts of inte | rest on the part of the Author?                                  |  |
| Comments to Author                        |  |  |
|   |  |  |
|   | Back Edit Decision Print Proceed                                 |  |

#### Step 4: Notify the author of your decision:

- Subject line of the letter is editable
- Click the 'cc' box to send a copy of the letter to the Editor(s).
- Editor may also change the final Decision from the Notify Author page. A dropdown box labeled **Modify Decision** facilitates this. Changing the Decision Term will automatically insert the appropriate Decision letter in the editable box lower down on the page.

| Notify Author                          |   | Cancel Submit Decision without Notifying Author   |
|--|---|---|
| Manuscript Number: DEMO-<br>D-03-00093 | Pre   | eview Letter Save and Send Later Send Now   |
| Title: "This is a training<br>session" |   |   |
|  | Editor Decision:  | Minor Revision  |
|  | Modify Decision:  | Minor Revision 💌  |
|  | From:   | "The DEMO Journal" <bhopkins@ariessc.com></bhopkins@ariessc.com>  |
|  | то:   | Anthony Author, MD  |
|  | Letter Purpose:   | Editor Decision - Minor Revise  |
|  | Letter Subject:   | Your Submission   |
|  | The Editors assigned to<br>copied by typing their<br>included, separated by | o the current version of the submission are shown below. Additional recipients can be<br>e-mail addresses into the blank boxes next to cc:. Multiple e-mail addresses can be<br>y semicolons (;). |
|  | cc:   | Editors Assigned to Manuscript  |
|  |   | Edward Editor, MD (Editor-in-Chief)   |
|  | cc:   |   |

- ➤ To edit the decision letter, scroll through the "Letter Body" and type your comments directly into the letter. Comments to the Author from the reviewers will automatically appear at the end of the revision and rejection letters.
- Click "Send Now" to send the letter.

## **IX. Reminders:**

Automatic Reviewer and Author Reminders have been enabled across almost all the journals.

#### Editors can also send reminders to the Reviewers or Authors manually.

Administrative Functions

Register New User Reports Send Reminder Letters

#### Send Reminder Letters

<u>Send Reminder Letters</u> provides direct access to the many options available to Editors who may wish to send Reminder Letters to Authors and Reviewers.

| Send Reminder Letters  |
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| Click a link below to access the reminder report, from which reminder letters can be sent. |
| Author Reminder Reports  |
| Author Revision Status Report  |
| Author Revision Reminder Report  |
| Automated Author Revision Reminder Report  |
| Invited Author Reminder Reports  |
| Authors Invited - No Response  |
| Author Invitation Status Report  |
| Editor Reminder Reports  |
| Assignment Status Report   |
| New Assignments Report   |
| Required Reviews Complete Report   |
| Reviewer Reminder Reports  |
| Reviewer Invited - No Response Report  |
| Reviewer Reminder Report   |
| Automated Reviewer Reminder Report   |
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#### **Reviewer Reminder Reports**:

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The below are the two reports by which the editor can send reminder letters to the Reviewers.

- 1. The '**Reviewer Invited No Response Report**' generates the list of outstanding Reviewer invitations.
- 2. The 'Reviewer Reminder Report' generates the list of submissions that have been out for review for a specified number of days, exposing Reviewers whose due dates are approaching ('Due Date' is in the future) and/or Reviewers who are late ('Due Date' has passed). Editors can also enter an explicit date range, which exposes reviews due within the specified timeframe; this may include both reviews that are late and reviews that are not yet due.

#### Author Reminder Reports:

- 1. Author Revision Status Report lists the Authors who have revisions out for more than a certain number of days.
- 2. Author Revision Reminder Report (only relevant for journals using Author Revision Due Date functionality) this report lists the submissions that are late (Revision Due Date has passed) and/or submissions whose due date is approaching (Revision Due Date is in the future).

We hope this visual guide was helpful to you in navigating through the Editorial Manager (EM) system. For any queries or concerns regarding EM, please feel free to write to the responsible JEO Assistant by clicking on the '**Contact US**" button in the Navigation bar of the journal web site. Should there be any queries regarding a particular manuscript, kindly trigger an email using the '**Send Email**' option to the intended recipient (author/reviewer/Editorial Office).