

A quick look back - 2008 journal resume

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ABSTRACT

This is a quick retrospective view back to the year 2008, summarizing the journal's experience and demonstrating submission statistics of the Journal of Radiology Case Reports.

EDITORIAL

2008 was an exciting year, especially for the Journal of Radiology Case Reports. It played its debut in July 2008 with its first officially launched issue in that month. Since then, we registered not only an increasing number of visitors, but also a constantly increasing number of manuscript submissions. While this journal received in July and August in average 1 manuscript submission per week, we received in December 2008 over 10 submissions per week. We interpret this as an increasing popularity for authors worldwide to submit interesting, rare and educational articles. As mentioned in a previous article (1) there seems to be a demand for the possibility in publishing case reports - despite fewer journals accepting this type of articles. Furthermore, the unique interactivity enhances the educational value of the published articles, which makes it also attractive for authors – and readers. We are especially pleased that not only our editorial team consists of international colleagues but that our authors submit manuscripts from all over the world. Please find on the following pages several statistics about the journal, manuscript submissions and publications.

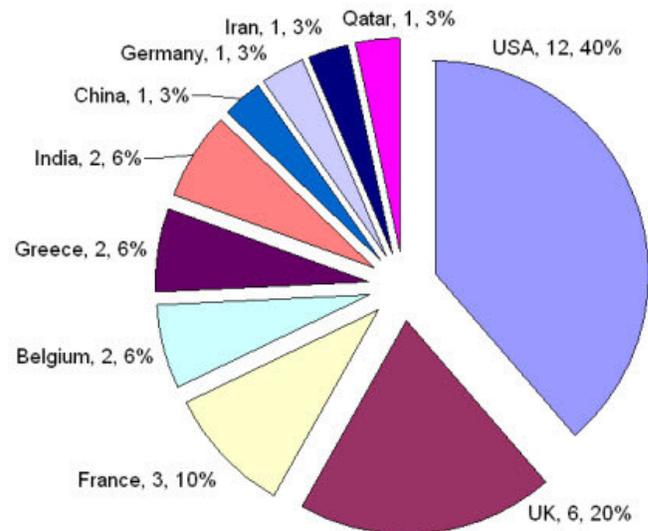
Issues published: 6 (started in July)
31 articles published

Accepted after first review: 4 (13%)
Accepted after revision: 27 (87%)

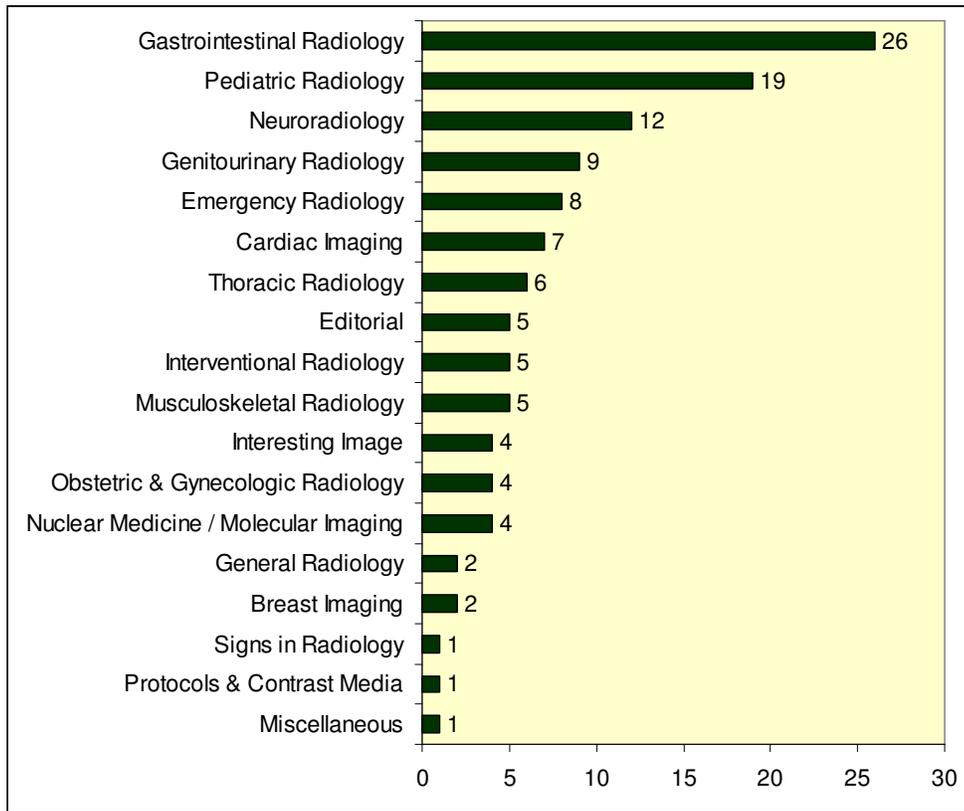
Total of submitted articles: 121
Articles under review yet: 14 (12%)
Articles reviewed: 107 (88%)
Acceptance rate: 31/107 (29%)

Of all reviewed articles (107):
Accepted after first review: 4 (3%)
Revision required: 97 (91%)
Declined: 6 (6%)

Average days to review: 8
Average days to publication: 39



Graph 1: Manuscript submissions to the Journal of Radiology Case Reports, sorted by countries. The majority of manuscripts came from the United States (40%), followed by the United Kingdom (20%) and France (10%).



Graph 2: Manuscript submissions to the Journal of Radiology Case Reports, sorted by frequency and category. Most manuscripts were submitted to the gastrointestinal and pediatric Radiology sections.

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