

# How to publish a Registered Report

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**Develop an idea**

Submit your research question and study design, including your introduction, method, proposed analyses, and pilot data.

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**Editor evaluation**

The journal's editorial team sends suitable submissions for peer review.

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**Peer review: stage 1**

Peer review of your research plan focusing on the importance of the research questions and the ability of the proposed methods to answer those questions.

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**Publication: Stage 1**

If accepted, your Stage 1 article will be published in the journal.

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**In principle acceptance: Stage 2**

Your Stage 2 article will be accepted in principle for publication or rejection. This is a commitment from the journal to publish your Stage 2 article, provided you follow the methodology outlined in the Stage 1 study design.

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**Conduct your research and write Stage 2**

Conduct your research according to the methodology outlined in the Stage 1 study design.

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**Peer review: Stage 2**

Submit your Stage 2 article for review. Peer review assesses whether the study matches the approved research plan, and draws appropriate conclusions.

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**Publication: Stage 2**

Successful publication of your Stage 2 manuscript, which will be linked to your published Stage 1 article.