

1. REVIEWER GUIDELINES

Journal for Ayurveda and Integrated Medical Research Sciences (JRAMS)

1. Purpose of These Guidelines

These Reviewer Guidelines explain expectations for reviewers evaluating manuscripts submitted to JRAMS. Our goal is to ensure fair, unbiased, ethical, and high-quality peer review that supports scholarly excellence in *AYURVEDA* and integrative medical research.

2. Reviewer Responsibilities

2.1 Provide Objective, Constructive Feedback

Reviewers should:

- Evaluate the manuscript's scientific merit and clarity.
- Offer comments that help authors improve their work.
- Avoid harsh, disrespectful, or discouraging language.
- Base critique on evidence, not personal preference.

2.2 Maintain Confidentiality

- Manuscripts must **not** be shared, discussed, or distributed.
- Information obtained through review must **not** be used for personal research, teaching, or competitive advantage.

2.3 Declare Conflicts of Interest

Reviewers must inform the editor if they have:

- Collaborated with the authors within the last 3 years.
- A financial or academic conflict.
- Personal or professional relationships that may bias judgment.

If conflict exists, the reviewer must **decline** the assignment.

3. What Reviewers Should Evaluate

3.1 Scientific Quality

- Originality of research.
- Soundness of methodology.
- Appropriateness of statistical analysis.
- Clarity and reproducibility of methods.
- Validity of conclusions.

3.2 AYURVEDA-Specific Components

Reviewers knowledgeable in *AYURVEDA* must ensure:

- Correct interpretation of classical *AYURVEDA* concepts.
- *AYURVEDA* terms are **italicized and capitalized**.
- Proper referencing of classical texts.
- Accuracy in describing *DRAVYAGUNA*, *BHASMA*, *PANCHAKARMA*, *SIDDHA*, *RASASHASTRA*, etc. subjects.
- Authentic preparation and standardization of formulations.

3.3 Ethical Considerations

Evaluate whether the manuscript contains:

- Proper Institutional Ethics Committee approval.
- CTRI registration for clinical trials.
- Animal ethics approval when applicable.
- Valid, signed patient consent forms.
- COPE, ICMJE, WAME compliance.

3.4 Reporting Guidelines

Confirm adherence to:

- **CONSORT** – Clinical trials.
- **PRISMA** – Systematic reviews.
- **STROBE** – Observational studies.
- **CARE** – Case reports.
- **ARRIVE** – Animal studies.

4. Reviewer Recommendation Categories

Reviewers may recommend:

- Accept.
- Minor Revision.
- Major Revision.
- Resubmit for Review.
- Reject.

The Editor-in-Chief makes the final decision.

5. Review Submission Requirements

Reviewers must provide:

- A complete, constructive review report.
- Comments to the editor (confidential).
- Comments to authors (professional and actionable).
- A clear justification for recommended decision.

6. Reviewer Ethics

Reviewers must not:

- Use manuscript ideas or data before publication.
- Delay reviews intentionally.
- Contact authors directly.
- Allow personal views to override scientific reasoning.

7. Recognition of Reviewers

JRAMS acknowledges reviewer contributions through:

- Annual Reviewer Certificates.

- Listing (optional) in yearly reviewer honor roll.
 - Editorial Board invitations for consistent high-quality reviewers.
 - Previously decided remuneration.
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2. REVIEWER INVITATION TEMPLATE

Subject: Invitation to Review Manuscript for JRAMS

Dear Dr. _____,

We are pleased to invite you to review a manuscript submitted to the
Journal for Ayurveda and Integrated Medical Research Sciences (JRAMS).

Manuscript Title: _____

Type of Article: _____

We believe your expertise in _____ makes you an
excellent reviewer for this work.

As part of our double-blind peer review system, your identity will be kept
confidential.

If you agree to review, the report will be due within ____ days.

Please click below to ACCEPT or DECLINE:

[Accept Review] [Decline Review]

If you are unable to review, you may suggest an alternative expert.

Thank you for supporting high-quality scholarship in *AYURVEDA* and medical research.

Warm regards,

Editor-in-Chief

JRAMS

Email: _____

3. CONFIDENTIALITY & ETHICS AGREEMENT FOR REVIEWERS

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As a reviewer for JRAMS, I agree to the following:

1. Confidentiality

- I will treat the manuscript as confidential material.
- I will not share, distribute, or discuss the manuscript with anyone.
- I will not store the manuscript on unprotected devices.

2. Ethical Conduct

- I will not use any information from the manuscript for personal or academic gain.
- I will not contact the authors directly under any circumstances.
- I will disclose any conflict of interest immediately.

3. Objectivity

- I will evaluate the manuscript fairly, without bias.
- I will provide clear, constructive feedback based on scientific merit.

4. Integrity in Review

- I will not delay the review intentionally.
- I will provide a complete report by the deadline or decline promptly

if unavailable.

5. Professional Conduct in *AYURVEDA* Context

- I will evaluate *AYURVEDA* concepts, terminology, and formulations with accuracy and respect.
- I will ensure the manuscript's use of *AYURVEDA* terms follow the rule: italics + capitalization.

By agreeing to review, I acknowledge and accept these responsibilities.

Reviewer Name: _____

Signature (optional): _____

Date: _____
