

How to communicate a preprint



Scientific articles can take different forms, some of the most common are:



Journal article

- > Original, new research findings
- > Can be closed or open access (may require payment of an APC)
- > Often 6-12 months behind current work
- > Peer-reviewed by experts in the field
- > The majority of the scientific literature



Review paper

- > Provide an overview of a field
- > Can be closed or open access (may require payment of an APC)
- > Often 6-12 months behind current work
- > Often peer-reviewed by experts in the field
- > Good for an introduction to a new topic



Preprint

- > Most commonly original research findings, may also report other outputs
- > At the forefront of new knowledge
- > Free-to-access
- > Not peer-reviewed
- > Most often in the form of research papers but can sometimes be review papers