

Gender and international diversity improves equity in peer review: R Notebook

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This notebook documents the analysis of the dataset on peer review outcomes by eLife. Due to the sensitive nature of the data, it is not all made public. However, a sample dataset with all identifying information such as name and institution has been supplied. If you are using this data, run the first, and the third code blocks, skipping the second.

Setup

The first step is to set up the environment. We import all the required packages and setup our custom ggplot theme. We also define here a simple function that is used to convert p-values to a series of astericks, and another function that capitalizes the first letter of a word, used for capitalizing place names.

```
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
library(readr)
library(readxl)
library(gridExtra)
library(grid)
library(tidyr)

theme_dakota <- function () {
  theme_bw(base_size=10, base_family="Times") %+replace%
  theme(
    strip.background = element_blank(),
    strip.text = element_text(face = "bold"),
    plot.title = element_text(size = 11, face = "bold"),
    axis.text.x = element_text(size = 9, margin = margin(t = 5, b = 5)),
    legend.title = element_blank(),
    legend.position = "bottom"
  )
}

# converts a provided p-value into a representation that is easier to visualize
sig2ast <- function(p) { ifelse(p <= 0.0001, "****",
                                ifelse(p <= 0.001, "***",
                                         ifelse(p <= 0.01, "**",
                                                ifelse(p <= 0.05, "*",
                                                       ifelse(p < 0.1, ".", "ns"))
                                         )
                                )
  )
}

# I copied the below function from a stack overflow question. It should capitalize the first letter of
# https://stackoverflow.com/questions/6364783/capitalize-the-first-letter-of-both-words-in-a-two-words
simpleCap <- function(x) {
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s <- strsplit(x, " ")[[1]]
paste(toupper(substring(s, 1,1)), substring(s, 2),
      sep=" ", collapse=" ")
}
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Data import and manipulation

Next we import the data. This version of the dataset was compiled from a series of excel files provided by elife. Several pre-processing steps are not shown here, but are instead in the other R script present in this project. Due to the sensitive nature of this data, it has not been made public. Two datasets are created, one representing some basic characteristics of the people at elife, including all types of people and authors, and another dataset containing metadata and outcomes data for all the manuscripts at elife. For the person-level dataset, we simply compile the unique instances of people appearing in the dataset and place them into a dataframe. The manuscript metadata requires additional work. We perform several manipulations and add new variables in order to make analysis easier throughout the document.

1. Disambiguate country names and add continent categories
2. Convert all cases of null-gender assignment to a value of “UNK”, or “Unknown”. Typically, NA assignments occur when an author is missing (as is the case for reviewer 4, when there are only three reviewers, or for a last author when the manuscript was rejected during initial submission), or when some error occurred during the assignment process (no name was matched during the assignment).
3. Convert all variables relating to gender to be a factor with three levels.
4. Flag the data if no decision has been made for the initial submission, which tends to be the case when they were submitted close our date cutoff.
5. Flag the data if no decision has been made for the full submission, which usually occurs when the manuscript is pending decision or revisions during our date cutoff.
6. Flag the data if an appeal has been made at any stage of the review process.
7. Flag the data if it has been encouraged during the initial decision phase.
8. Flag the data if it has been submitted and accepted as a full submission
9. Flag the data if there are potential inconsistencies in how names are present. For example, in some full submissions there is no first author present, but there is a last author present. The assumption is that a first author and last author should always be present, even if they are the same person.
10. Add variables containing a list of all full submission decisions made on each document
11. Add variables for the time spent for reviewers to deliberate each part of the revision process
12. Identify the stage in which the final decision was made
13. Count the number of reviewers involved in reviewing the full submission
14. Count the number of male and number of female reviewers
15. Create a categorical variable representing the composition of the reviewer team as being all male, all female, or mixed-gender
16. Create an adjusted composition of the reviewer team, this time excluding the BRE, if they are also listed as a reviewer
17. Count the number of revisions that the manuscript went through
18. Create variables representing country homophily between each type of authorship and any member of the reviewer team
19. Remove potentially sensitive information, such as individual names, institutions, countries, submission dates, etc.

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# Load the main eLife data file
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elife <- read_excel("~/Dropbox/eLife/data/elife_datafile.xlsx")
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# Load the country information .csv file, which was manually created and available along with this file
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country_mapping <- read_csv("~/Dropbox/eLife/data/elife_countries.csv")
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# Get a single list of all the peer reviewers, which presently are represented as separate variables on
# is ugly and can be improved, but it is simple and works, so I won't bother changing it
reviewer1 <- elife[, c("reviewer1_name", "reviewer1_gender", "reviewer1_institution", "reviewer1_country")]
reviewer1 <- reviewer1[with(reviewer1, !is.na(reviewer1_name)), ]
colnames(reviewer1) <- c("reviewer_name", "reviewer_gender", "reviewer_institution", "reviewer_country")

reviewer2 <- elife[, c("reviewer2_name", "reviewer2_gender", "reviewer2_institution", "reviewer2_country")]
reviewer2 <- reviewer2[with(reviewer2, !is.na(reviewer2_name)), ]
colnames(reviewer2) <- c("reviewer_name", "reviewer_gender", "reviewer_institution", "reviewer_country")

reviewer3 <- elife[, c("reviewer3_name", "reviewer3_gender", "reviewer3_institution", "reviewer3_country")]
reviewer3 <- reviewer2[with(reviewer3, !is.na(reviewer3_name)), ]
colnames(reviewer3) <- c("reviewer_name", "reviewer_gender", "reviewer_institution", "reviewer_country")

reviewer4 <- elife[, c("reviewer4_name", "reviewer4_gender", "reviewer4_institution", "reviewer4_country")]
reviewer4 <- reviewer2[with(reviewer4, !is.na(reviewer4_name)), ]
colnames(reviewer4) <- c("reviewer_name", "reviewer_gender", "reviewer_institution", "reviewer_country")

reviewers <- rbind(reviewer1, reviewer2, reviewer3, reviewer4)

# proportion of reviewers by gender compared to proportions of author by gender
bres <- elife[, c("bre_gender", "bre_name", "bre_country")]
peer_reviewers <- reviewers[, c("reviewer_gender", "reviewer_name", "reviewer_country")]
editors <- elife[, c("se_gender", "se_name", "se_country")]
names(editors) <- c("gender", "name", "country")
names(bres) <- c("gender", "name", "country")
names(peer_reviewers) <- c("gender", "name", "country")

revs <- as.data.frame(rbind(bres, editors, peer_reviewers))
revs$type <- "Gatekeeper"
revs <- revs[!is.na(revs$country), ]

# now we add the authors
ca_authors <- elife[, c("ca_gender", "ca_name", "ca_country")]
names(ca_authors) <- c("gender", "name", "country")
ca_authors$type <- "Corr. Author"

fa_authors <- elife[, c("fa_gender", "fa_name", "fa_country")]
names(fa_authors) <- c("gender", "name", "country")
fa_authors$type <- "First Author"

la_authors <- elife[, c("la_gender", "la_name", "la_country")]
names(la_authors) <- c("gender", "name", "country")
la_authors$type <- "Last Author"

# combine all these variables into a single data frame
people <- as.data.frame(rbind(revs, ca_authors, fa_authors, la_authors))
people <- people[!duplicated(people[, c("name", "country", "type")]), ]
people <- people[!is.na(people$name), ]

# Adjust the levels of the gender factor, limit to "Male/Female/UNK", the matching algorithm will assign
people$gender = with(people, relevel(factor(ifelse(gender %in% c("M", "F"), gender,
                                                    ifelse(!is.na(name), "UNK", NA)), lev

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# Now lets map the continent values onto this dataframe
people <- people %>%
  mutate(country = tolower(country)) %>%
  left_join(country_mapping, by = c("country" = "Country")) %>%
  mutate(
    country = Mapping,
    continent = Continent
  ) %>%
  select(-Mapping, -Continent, -name, -country)

# Moving on, lets begin to work with the manuscript data.
elif <- elif %>%
  # This group_by is needed to make the mutate functions work properly
  group_by(MSNO) %>%
  # these vairbales need to be converted to lowercase for the next step...
  mutate(
    ca_country = tolower(ca_country),
    la_country = tolower(la_country),
    fa_country = tolower(fa_country),
    bre_country = tolower(bre_country),
    se_country = tolower(se_country),
    reviewer1_country = tolower(reviewer1_country),
    reviewer2_country = tolower(reviewer2_country),
    reviewer3_country = tolower(reviewer3_country),
    reviewer4_country = tolower(reviewer4_country)
  ) %>%
  # This series of left_joins + mutates + selects is ugly, but it seems one of the most straightforward
  # each of the author and reviewer types.
  left_join(country_mapping, by = c("ca_country" = "Country")) %>%
  mutate(
    ca_country = Mapping,
    ca_continent = Continent
  ) %>%
  select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
  left_join(country_mapping, by = c("la_country" = "Country")) %>%
  mutate(
    la_country = Mapping,
    la_continent = Continent
  ) %>%
  select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
  left_join(country_mapping, by = c("fa_country" = "Country")) %>%
  mutate(
    fa_country = Mapping,
    fa_continent = Continent
  ) %>%
  select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
  left_join(country_mapping, by = c("se_country" = "Country")) %>%
  mutate(
    se_country = Mapping,
    se_continent = Continent
  ) %>%
  select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%

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left_join(country_mapping, by = c("bre_country" = "Country")) %>%
mutate(
  bre_country = Mapping,
  bre_continent = Continent
) %>%
select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
left_join(country_mapping, by = c("reviewer1_country" = "Country")) %>%
mutate(
  reviewer1_country = Mapping,
  reviewer1_continent = Continent
) %>%
select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
left_join(country_mapping, by = c("reviewer2_country" = "Country")) %>%
mutate(
  reviewer2_country = Mapping,
  reviewer2_continent = Continent
) %>%
select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
left_join(country_mapping, by = c("reviewer3_country" = "Country")) %>%
mutate(
  reviewer3_country = Mapping,
  reviewer3_continent = Continent
) %>%
select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
left_join(country_mapping, by = c("reviewer4_country" = "Country")) %>%
mutate(
  reviewer4_country = Mapping,
  reviewer4_continent = Continent
) %>%
select(-Mapping, -Continent) %>%
# Now I will turn towards the other variables that we will be working with.
mutate(
  # convert NA assignments in gender assignment to a value of "Unknown" as well as setup factor levels
  ca_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(ca_gender %in% c("M", "F"), ca_gender, ifelse(!is.na(ca_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  fa_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(fa_gender %in% c("M", "F"), fa_gender, ifelse(!is.na(fa_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  la_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(la_gender %in% c("M", "F"), la_gender, ifelse(!is.na(la_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  se_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(se_gender %in% c("M", "F"), se_gender, ifelse(!is.na(se_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  bre_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(se_gender %in% c("M", "F"), bre_gender, ifelse(!is.na(bre_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  reviewer1_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(reviewer1_gender %in% c("M", "F"), reviewer1_gender, ifelse(!is.na(reviewer1_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  reviewer2_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(reviewer2_gender %in% c("M", "F"), reviewer2_gender, ifelse(!is.na(reviewer2_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  reviewer3_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(reviewer3_gender %in% c("M", "F"), reviewer3_gender, ifelse(!is.na(reviewer3_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),
  reviewer4_gender = relevel(factor(ifelse(reviewer4_gender %in% c("M", "F"), reviewer4_gender, ifelse(!is.na(reviewer4_name), "U", "UNK")),
    levels = c("M", "F", "UNK")), ref = "F"),

  submission_year = as.numeric(format(as.Date(initial_submission_time), "%Y")),
  # Flag the data if there is an initial submission but no decision has been made
  initial_decision_made = !is.na(initial_decision),

  # Flag is the manuscript had a full submission

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has_full_submission = !is.na(full_submission_date),

# Flag data if full submission has been submitted, but no decision has been made (ie: still in review)
full_decision_made = !is.na(full_submission_date) & last(na.omit(c(full_decision, rev1_decision, rev2_decision)))

# Flag the data if it was appealed at any state during its process
appealed_any_stage = any(c(appeal_state1, appeal_state2, appeal_state3) == 4) & any(!is.na(c(appeal_state1, appeal_state2, appeal_state3)))

# Flag the data if the initial decision of the manuscript was encouraged
encouraged = initial_decision_made & initial_decision == "Encourage",

# Flag the data if the full submission was eventually accepted
accepted = full_decision_made & any(c(full_decision, rev1_decision, rev2_decision) == "Accept", na.rm=T)

# Flag whether a final decision of accept or reject has been passed
final_decision_made = any(c(full_decision, rev1_decision, rev2_decision) %in% c("Accept", "Reject"))

# Flag data if there are potential inconsistencies with the naming, ie: no last name for a full submission
#name_inconsistency = full_decision_made & ((!is.na(la_name) & is.na(elifa$fa_name)) | ((is.na(la_name) & is.na(elifa$fa_name)) & !is.na(elifa$fa_name)))

# This is a list of all the full decisions made (first decision or full submission + subsequent review decisions)
full_decisions = list(na.omit(c(full_decision, rev1_decision, rev2_decision))),

# Add variables related to how long it takes to go through the review process
deltatime_rev1 = as.Date(rev1_decision_date) - as.Date(rev1_submission_date),
deltatime_rev2 = as.Date(rev2_decision_date) - as.Date(rev2_submission_date),

# Store the final stage of the full-submission process in which the final decision was made
final_decision_stage = ifelse(full_decision_made, c("Full", "Rev1", "Rev2")[grep("Accept|Reject", full_decisions)], NA),

# Calculate the total amount of time spent deliberating revision decisions
revision_time = ifelse(final_decision_stage == "Full", NA,
                      ifelse(final_decision_stage == "Rev1", deltatime_rev1,
                             deltatime_rev1 + deltatime_rev2)),

# Calculate total amount of time spent deliberating decisions from first full submission to the final decision
deltatime_final = ifelse(final_decision_stage == "Full", deltatime_full_submission_decision,
                        ifelse(final_decision_stage == "Rev1", deltatime_rev1 + deltatime_full_submission_decision,
                               deltatime_rev2 + deltatime_rev1 + deltatime_full_submission_decision)),

# just some simple boolean values for whether or not the full submission and decision dates are NA
#!has_full_submission = is.na(full_submission_date),
full_decision_date_isNA = is.na(full_decision_date),

# Now add variables relating to the composition of the reviewer team
# Quality of list variables-list of the names, countries, and genders of reviewers
reviewer_names = list(tolower(na.omit(c(bre_name, reviewer1_name, reviewer2_name, reviewer3_name, reviewer4_name, reviewer5_name))))
reviewer_genders = list(na.omit(c(bre_gender, reviewer1_gender, reviewer2_gender, reviewer3_gender, reviewer4_gender, reviewer5_gender)))
reviewer_countries = list(tolower(na.omit(c(bre_country, reviewer1_country, reviewer2_country, reviewer3_country, reviewer4_country, reviewer5_country))))
reviewer_continents = list(tolower(na.omit(c(bre_continent, reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer4_continent, reviewer5_continent))))

reviewer_names_nobre = list(tolower(na.omit(c(reviewer1_name, reviewer2_name, reviewer3_name, reviewer4_name, reviewer5_name))))

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reviewer_genders_nobre = list(na.omit(c(reviewer1_gender, reviewer2_gender, reviewer3_gender, reviewer4_gender, reviewer5_gender, reviewer6_gender, reviewer7_gender, reviewer8_gender, reviewer9_gender, reviewer10_gender, reviewer11_gender, reviewer12_gender, reviewer13_gender, reviewer14_gender, reviewer15_gender, reviewer16_gender, reviewer17_gender, reviewer18_gender, reviewer19_gender, reviewer20_gender, reviewer21_gender, reviewer22_gender, reviewer23_gender, reviewer24_gender, reviewer25_gender, reviewer26_gender, reviewer27_gender, reviewer28_gender, reviewer29_gender, reviewer30_gender, reviewer31_gender, reviewer32_gender, reviewer33_gender, reviewer34_gender, reviewer35_gender, reviewer36_gender, reviewer37_gender, reviewer38_gender, reviewer39_gender, reviewer40_gender, reviewer41_gender, reviewer42_gender, reviewer43_gender, reviewer44_gender, reviewer45_gender, reviewer46_gender, reviewer47_gender, reviewer48_gender, reviewer49_gender, reviewer50_gender, reviewer51_gender, reviewer52_gender, reviewer53_gender, reviewer54_gender, reviewer55_gender, reviewer56_gender, reviewer57_gender, reviewer58_gender, reviewer59_gender, reviewer60_gender, reviewer61_gender, reviewer62_gender, reviewer63_gender, reviewer64_gender, reviewer65_gender, reviewer66_gender, reviewer67_gender, reviewer68_gender, reviewer69_gender, reviewer70_gender, reviewer71_gender, reviewer72_gender, reviewer73_gender, reviewer74_gender, reviewer75_gender, reviewer76_gender, reviewer77_gender, reviewer78_gender, reviewer79_gender, reviewer80_gender, reviewer81_gender, reviewer82_gender, reviewer83_gender, reviewer84_gender, reviewer85_gender, reviewer86_gender, reviewer87_gender, reviewer88_gender, reviewer89_gender, reviewer90_gender, reviewer91_gender, reviewer92_gender, reviewer93_gender, reviewer94_gender, reviewer95_gender, reviewer96_gender, reviewer97_gender, reviewer98_gender, reviewer99_gender, reviewer100_gender)))

# Number of reviewers in the team
num_reviewers = length(unlist(reviewer_names)),
num_reviewers_nobre = length(unlist(reviewer_names_nobre)),

# Number of reviewers on the team identified as female
num_female_reviewers = sum(unlist(reviewer_genders) == 1),
# Number of reviewers on the team identified as male
num_male_reviewers = sum(unlist(reviewer_genders) == 2),

num_female_reviewers_nobre = sum(unlist(reviewer_genders_nobre) == 1),
# Number of reviewers on the team identified as male
num_male_reviewers_nobre = sum(unlist(reviewer_genders_nobre) == 2),

# Composition: three variables indicating whether all have a gender identified as male, all have a female,
# of at least one male and one female reviewer on the team
composition = factor(ifelse(is.na(full_submission_date), NA,
                           ifelse(all(unlist(reviewer_genders) == 2), "All Men",
                                ifelse(all(unlist(reviewer_genders) == 1), "All Women",
                                       ifelse(any(unlist(reviewer_genders) == 1) & any(unlist(reviewer_genders) == 2), "Mixed", "Uncertain")
                                )
                           )
                       ) # end first ifelse
, levels = c("All Men", "All Women", "Mixed", "Uncertain")), # end factor

# Number of revisions
num_revisions = length(unlist(full_decisions)) - 1,
# The corresponding author is from the same country as at least one reviewer
ca_country_homophily = !is.na(ca_country) & tolower(ca_country) %in% unlist(reviewer_countries),
# The last author is from the same country as at least one reviewer
la_country_homophily = !is.na(la_country) & tolower(la_country) %in% unlist(reviewer_countries),
# The first author is from the same country as at least one reviewer
fa_country_homophily = !is.na(fa_country) & tolower(fa_country) %in% unlist(reviewer_countries),

# The corresponding author is from the same country as at least one reviewer
ca_continent_homophily = !is.na(ca_continent) & tolower(ca_continent) %in% unlist(reviewer_continents),
# The last author is from the same country as at least one reviewer
la_continent_homophily = !is.na(la_continent) & tolower(la_continent) %in% unlist(reviewer_continents),
# The first author is from the same country as at least one reviewer
fa_continent_homophily = !is.na(fa_continent) & tolower(fa_continent) %in% unlist(reviewer_continents),

# The BRE is also listed as a reviewer
bre_is_reviewer = tolower(bre_name) %in% unlist(reviewer_names_nobre),

ca_bre_country_homophily = bre_country == ca_country,

ca_bre_continent_homophily = bre_continent == ca_continent,

# A short series of variables specifying if the first and last authors are the same, or if the CA is the first or last author
ca_is_first = tolower(ca_name) == tolower(fa_name),
ca_is_last = tolower(ca_name) == tolower(la_name),

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single_authored = tolower(fa_name) == tolower(la_name),

# this just cleans up a poorly named variable earlier in the preprocessing step
submission_type = type.x,

# Recalculate the composition, but this time justed for the BRE
num_female_reviewers_adj = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer == T & bre_gender == "F", num_female_reviewers_nob,
num_male_reviewers_adj = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer ==T & bre_gender == "M", num_male_reviewers_nobre -
num_reviewers_adj = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer, num_reviewers_nobre - 1, num_reviewers_nobre),
composition_adj = ifelse(!has_full_submission, NA,
                        ifelse(num_male_reviewers_adj > 0 & num_female_reviewers_adj > 0, "Mixed",
                              ifelse(num_male_reviewers_adj == num_reviewers_adj, "All Men",
                                    ifelse(num_female_reviewers_adj == num_reviewers_adj, "All W
                                )
                              )
                        )
                    )
                )
            )
        )
    )
)

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Lets calculate some basic things, before we anonymize the data, like number of unique co-authors, etc.

Initial Submissions and General Info

Number of initial submissions

```
dim(elife)[1]
```

```
## [1] 23879
```

Distribution of manuscript types

```
table(elife$type.x)
```

```
##
##      RA      RE      SR      TR
## 20945      6    2186    742
```

Distribution of manuscript types, as %

```
prop.table(table(elife$type.x))
```

```
##
##              RA              RE              SR              TR
## 0.8771305331 0.0002512668 0.0915448721 0.0310733280
```

Review outcome of initial submissions to eLife

```

outcomes <- elife %>%
  mutate(outcome = ifelse(!initial_decision_made, "No Decision Yet", ifelse(encouraged, "Encouraged", "I

```



```
table(outcomes$outcome)
```

```
##
##      Encouraged No Decision Yet      Rejected
##      7112          147          16620
```

Gender distribution of distinct corresponding authors of initial submissions to eLife

```
# get distinct corresponding authors on first submissions
ca_authors <- elife %>%
  mutate(ca_name = tolower(ca_name)) %>%
  group_by(ca_name, ca_country) %>%
  filter(row_number() == 1)

table(ca_authors$ca_gender)
```

```
##
##      F      M    UNK
##  4803 11968  1447
```

National distribution of distinct corresponding authors of initial submissions

```
t <- table(ca_authors$ca_country)
t[order(-t)]
```

```
##
##      united states      united kingdom      germany
##      6431          1853          1601
##      china          france          japan
##      1156          913          658
##      canada          italy          spain
##      580          444          443
##      india          switzerland      australia
##      380          377          361
##      netherlands      israel          sweden
##      345          326          254
##      south korea      belgium          taiwan
##      228          185          162
##      singapore      austria          denmark
##      159          138          118
##      portugal          finland          brazil
##      99          91          84
##      poland          czech republic      argentina
##      71          61          56
##      norway          hong kong          russia
##      55          53          51
##      hungary          ireland          new zealand
##      49          42          35
##      chile          mexico          south africa
##      31          28          28
##      greece          iran          saudi arabia
##      24          23          22
```

```
##          estonia          kenya          thailand
##          14            12            11
##          turkey          slovenia united arab emirates
##          10            9            8
##          colombia        malaysia          croatia
##          7            6            5
##          qatar          egypt          macau
##          5            4            4
##          madagascar        peru          puerto rico
##          4            4            4
##          romania          ukraine          indonesia
##          4            4            3
##          iraq            nigeria          sri lanka
##          3            3            3
##          uruguay          vietnam          bangladesh
##          3            3            2
##          french polynesia        ghana          lebanon
##          2            2            2
##          luxembourg        malawi          monaco
##          2            2            2
##          nepal serbia and montenegro          slovakia
##          2            2            2
##          venezuela        antarctica          burkina faso
##          2            1            1
##          cambodia        costa rica          cyprus
##          1            1            1
##          ethiopia          fiji          french guiana
##          1            1            1
##          gabon          iceland          kuwait
##          1            1            1
##          lithuania        mozambique          oman
##          1            1            1
##          pakistan        philippines          reunion
##          1            1            1
##          tanzania          uganda          yemen
##          1            1            1
```

Gender distribution of distinct senior editors of initial submissions

```
# get distinct correspondign authros on first submissions
se_authors <- elife %>%
  mutate(se_name = tolower(se_name)) %>%
  group_by(se_name, se_country) %>%
  filter(row_number() == 1)

table(se_authors$se_gender)

##
##   F   M UNK
##  15  42   0
```

National distribution of distinct senior editors of initial submissions

```
t <- table(se_authors$se_country)
t[order(-t)]

##
##   united states united kingdom      germany      canada      china
##           32           7           6           3           2
##   switzerland      india      israel      japan      netherlands
##           2           1           1           1           1
##           spain
##           1
```

Full Submissions

Total number of full submissions

```
full <- elife %>%
  filter(has_full_submission)

dim(full)[1]

## [1] 7193
```

Final decision outcomes for full submissions

```
outcomes <- full %>%
  mutate(outcome = ifelse(!final_decision_made, "No Decision Yet", ifelse(accepted, "Accepted", "Rejected")))

table(outcomes$outcome)

##
##      Accepted No Decision Yet      Rejected
##      3426           602      3165
```

First full decision outcomes for full submissions

```
table(ifelse(is.na(full$full_decision), "No Decision", full$full_decision))

##
##      Accept No Decision      Reject      Revise
##      54           217      3155      3767
```

First revision review outcomes for full submissions

```
rev1 <- full %>% filter(!is.na(rev1_submission_date))
table(ifelse(is.na(rev1$rev1_decision), "No Decision", rev1$rev1_decision))

##
##      Accept No Decision      Reject      Revise
```

```
##           2545           47           473           1005
```

Second revision review outcomes for full submissions

```
rev2 <- full %>% filter(!is.na(rev2_submission_date))
table(iffelse(is.na(rev2$rev2_decision), "No Decision", rev2$rev2_decision))
```

```
##
##      Accept No Decision      Reject      Revise
##      827           5           67           125
```

Number of distinct corresponding authors in full submissions at eLife

```
ca_authors <- full %>%
  filter(!is.na(ca_name)) %>%
  mutate(ca_name = tolower(ca_name)) %>%
  group_by(ca_name, ca_country) %>%
  filter(row_number() == 1)

dim(ca_authors)[1]
```

```
## [1] 5695
```

Gender distribution of distinct corresponding authors on full submissions at eLife

```
table(ca_authors$ca_gender)
```

```
##
##      F      M  UNK
## 1419 3829  447
```

Number of distinct first authors on full submissions at eLife

```
fa_authors <- full %>%
  filter(!is.na(fa_name)) %>%
  mutate(fa_name = tolower(fa_name)) %>%
  group_by(fa_name, fa_country) %>%
  filter(row_number() == 1)

dim(fa_authors)[1]
```

```
## [1] 6692
```

Gender distribution of distinct first authors on full submissions at eLife

```
table(fa_authors$fa_gender)
```

```
##
##      F      M  UNK
## 2252 3820  620
```

Number of distinct last authors on full submissions at eLife

```
la_authors <- full %>%  
  filter(!is.na(la_name)) %>%  
  mutate(la_name = tolower(la_name)) %>%  
  group_by(la_name, la_country) %>%  
  filter(row_number() == 1)  
  
dim(la_authors)[1]  
  
## [1] 5581
```

Gender distribution of distinct last authors on full submissions at eLife

```
table(la_authors$la_gender)  
  
##  
##      F      M  UNK  
## 1241 3908  432
```

Gender distribution of distinct last authors on full submissions at eLife, as %

```
prop.table(table(la_authors$la_gender))  
  
##  
##           F           M           UNK  
## 0.22236158 0.70023293 0.07740548
```

Number of distinct gatekeepers involved in processing full submissions at eLife, includes senior editors, reviewing editors, and invited peer reviewers

```
gatekeepers <- people %>% filter(type == "Gatekeeper")  
dim(gatekeepers)[1]  
  
## [1] 6669
```

Gender distribution of distinct gatekeepers involved in processing full submissions at eLife, includes senior editors, reviewing editors, and invited peer reviewers

```
table(gatekeepers$gender)  
  
##  
##      F      M  UNK  
## 1372 4934  363
```

Gender distribution of distinct gatekeepers involved in processing full submissions at eLife, includes senior editors, reviewing editors, and invited peer reviewers as %

```
prop.table(table(gatekeepers$gender))
```

```
##  
##           F           M           UNK  
## 0.20572800 0.73984106 0.05443095
```

Continent distribution of distinct gatekeepers involved in processing full submissions at eLife, includes senior editors, reviewing editors, and invited peer reviewers

```
table(gatekeepers$continent)
```

```
##  
##      Africa      Asia      Europe North America      Oceania  
##          17      379      2161      3992          98  
## South America  
##          22
```

Proportion of full submissions for which the corresponding author was also the last author

```
sum(full$ca_name == full$fa_name, na.rm = T) / dim(full)[1]
```

```
## [1] 0.2649798
```

Proportion of full submissions for which the corresponding author was also the last author

```
sum(tolower(full$ca_name) == tolower(full$la_name), na.rm = T) / dim(full)[1]
```

```
## [1] 0.7115251
```

Number of full submissions that were appealed

```
table(full$appealed_any_stage)
```

```
##  
## FALSE  TRUE  
##  6574   619
```

Average number of revisions before final acceptance of full submissions at eLife

```
# In this case, "0" means  
f <- full %>% filter(accepted)  
mean(f$num_revisions, na.rm = T)
```

```
## [1] 1.225628
```

Proportion of full submissions for which the corresponding author is from the same country as the first author

```
sum(full$ca_country == full$fa_country, na.rm = T) / dim(full)[1]

## [1] 0.9414709
```

Proportion of full submissions for which the corresponding author is from the same country as the last author

```
sum(full$ca_country == full$la_country, na.rm = T) / dim(full)[1]

## [1] 0.9446684
```

Table SI.2

```
gatekeepers <- subset(people, type == "Gatekeeper")
#table(gatekeepers$continent)
editors <- subset(editors, !duplicated(name, country))
reviewers <- subset(reviewers, !duplicated(reviewer_name, reviewer_country))
bres <- subset(bres, !duplicated(name, country))

t1 <- data.frame(table(editors$country), prop.table(table(editors$country)))
t2 <- data.frame(table(reviewers$reviewer_country), prop.table(table(reviewers$reviewer_country)))
t3 <- data.frame(table(bres$country), prop.table(table(bres$country)))

all_data <- t2 %>%
  left_join(t3, by = "Var1") %>%
  left_join(t1, by = "Var1") %>%
  select(-Var1.1.x, -Var1.1.y, -Var1.1)

names(all_data) <- c("country", "rev.freq", "rev.prop", "bre.freq", "bre.prop", "se.freq", "se.prop")

ord <- with(all_data, order(-se.freq, -bre.freq))

all_data <- all_data[ord, ]

write.csv(all_data, file = "tables/table_SI2.csv")

all_data
```

##	country	rev.freq	rev.prop	bre.freq	bre.prop
## 55	United States	3648	0.5594234013	536	0.620370370
## 54	United Kingdom	707	0.1084189541	88	0.101851852
## 18	Germany	469	0.0719214844	69	0.079861111
## 8	Canada	249	0.0381843276	22	0.025462963
## 48	Switzerland	166	0.0254562184	19	0.021990741
## 10	China	61	0.0093543935	10	0.011574074
## 25	Israel	89	0.0136482135	19	0.021990741
## 34	Netherlands	114	0.0174819813	11	0.012731481

## 46	Spain	78	0.0119613556	10	0.011574074
## 27	Japan	128	0.0196288913	9	0.010416667
## 23	India	20	0.0030670143	6	0.006944444
## 16	France	245	0.0375709247	21	0.024305556
## 4	Australia	87	0.0133415120	7	0.008101852
## 45	South Africa	12	0.0018402086	5	0.005787037
## 5	Austria	49	0.0075141849	4	0.004629630
## 6	Belgium	37	0.0056739764	3	0.003472222
## 15	Finland	26	0.0039871185	3	0.003472222
## 26	Italy	60	0.0092010428	3	0.003472222
## 43	Singapore	33	0.0050605735	3	0.003472222
## 51	Thailand	4	0.0006134029	3	0.003472222
## 13	Denmark	30	0.0046005214	2	0.002314815
## 29	Korea (South), Republic of	9	0.0013801564	2	0.002314815
## 14	Estonia	1	0.0001533507	1	0.001157407
## 20	Hong Kong	3	0.0004600521	1	0.001157407
## 21	Hungary	7	0.0010734550	1	0.001157407
## 24	Ireland	6	0.0009201043	1	0.001157407
## 28	Kenya	2	0.0003067014	1	0.001157407
## 32	Mexico	7	0.0010734550	1	0.001157407
## 35	New Zealand	10	0.0015335071	1	0.001157407
## 37	Poland	9	0.0013801564	1	0.001157407
## 47	Sweden	53	0.0081275878	1	0.001157407
## 1	Albania	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 2	Andorra	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 3	Argentina	10	0.0015335071	NA	NA
## 7	Brazil	5	0.0007667536	NA	NA
## 9	Chile	5	0.0007667536	NA	NA
## 11	Croatia	2	0.0003067014	NA	NA
## 12	Czech Republic	5	0.0007667536	NA	NA
## 17	French Guiana	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 19	Greece	8	0.0012268057	NA	NA
## 22	Iceland	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 30	Madagascar	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 31	Malaysia	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 33	Monaco	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 36	Norway	11	0.0016868578	NA	NA
## 38	Portugal	25	0.0038337678	NA	NA
## 39	Puerto Rico	2	0.0003067014	NA	NA
## 40	Republic of Korea	8	0.0012268057	NA	NA
## 41	Russian Federation	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 42	Saudi Arabia	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 44	Slovenia	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 49	Taiwan	4	0.0006134029	NA	NA
## 50	Taiwan, Republic of China	2	0.0003067014	NA	NA
## 52	Turkey	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 53	United Arab Emirates	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 56	Uruguay	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 57	USA	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
## 58	Vietnam	1	0.0001533507	NA	NA
##	se.freq	se.prop			
## 55	32	0.56140351			
## 54	7	0.12280702			
## 18	6	0.10526316			

## 8	3	0.05263158
## 48	2	0.03508772
## 10	2	0.03508772
## 25	1	0.01754386
## 34	1	0.01754386
## 46	1	0.01754386
## 27	1	0.01754386
## 23	1	0.01754386
## 16	NA	NA
## 4	NA	NA
## 45	NA	NA
## 5	NA	NA
## 6	NA	NA
## 15	NA	NA
## 26	NA	NA
## 43	NA	NA
## 51	NA	NA
## 13	NA	NA
## 29	NA	NA
## 14	NA	NA
## 20	NA	NA
## 21	NA	NA
## 24	NA	NA
## 28	NA	NA
## 32	NA	NA
## 35	NA	NA
## 37	NA	NA
## 47	NA	NA
## 1	NA	NA
## 2	NA	NA
## 3	NA	NA
## 7	NA	NA
## 9	NA	NA
## 11	NA	NA
## 12	NA	NA
## 17	NA	NA
## 19	NA	NA
## 22	NA	NA
## 30	NA	NA
## 31	NA	NA
## 33	NA	NA
## 36	NA	NA
## 38	NA	NA
## 39	NA	NA
## 40	NA	NA
## 41	NA	NA
## 42	NA	NA
## 44	NA	NA
## 49	NA	NA
## 50	NA	NA
## 52	NA	NA
## 53	NA	NA
## 56	NA	NA
## 57	NA	NA

```
## 58      NA      NA
```

Anonymize and save data

```
# Get rid of these temporary variables
bres <- peer_reviewers <- editors <- revs <- ca_authors <- fa_authors <- la_authors <- NULL
reviewer1 <- reviewer2 <- reviewer3 <- reviewer4 <- reviewers <- NULL

elife <- elife %>%
  # Now lets remove any identifying information, ie: names and institutions. We also remove country/con
  # We also remove all dates and times, because thees could probably be used to identify information ab
  # Also, lets remove variables that we will not prefently be working with, just to keep the table clear
  select(-c(ca_name, la_name, fa_name, se_name, bre_name, reviewer1_name, reviewer2_name, reviewer3_name,
    ca_institution, la_institution, fa_institution, se_institution, bre_institution,
    reviewer1_institution, reviewer2_institution, reviewer3_institution, reviewer4_institution,
    se_country, bre_country, se_continent, reviewer1_country, reviewer2_country, reviewer3_country,
    initial_submission_time, full_submission_date, rev1_submission_date, rev2_submission_date,
    initial_decision_time, full_decision_date, rev1_decision_date, rev2_decision_date, submission_time,
    deltatime_initial_submission_decision, deltatime_full_submission_decision, deltatime_initial_submission_decision,
    deltatime_rev1, deltatime_rev2, revision_time, deltatime_final,
    prop_male_reviewers, prop_female_reviewers, appeal_state1, appeal_state2, appeal_state3, type_of_review,
    reviewer_names, reviewer_countries, reviewer_continents, reviewer_genders, full_decisions,
    reviewer_names_nobre, reviewer_genders_nobre))

# write this file as output, so that future analysis can start from this file as a checkpoint
write.csv(elife, "formatted_data/formatted_elife.csv")

write.csv(people, "formatted_data/elife_people.csv")

# clean the namespace
country_mapping <- NULL
```

Checkpoint

Here we load the data that was manipulated in the previous code chunk. Skip to here if the original (non-anonymized) data is not available.

```
elife <- read.csv("formatted_data/formatted_elife.csv")
```

Figure 2

Note: Figure 1 was made in an external program, *RawGraphics*, and so does not appear in this notebook.

Figure 2. Left: Yearly count of initial submissions, encouraged initial submissions, and accepted full submissions to eLife between 2012 and 2016; Right: encourage rate of initial submissions, overall accept rate of initial submissions, and accept rate of full submissions between 2012 and 2016. Submissions during the year of 2017 were not included because we do not have sufficient data for full lifecycle of these manuscripts.

```
d1 <- elife %>%
  group_by(submission_year) %>%
  summarize(
```

```

    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE, na.rm = T)
  ) %>%
  gather(measure_key, value = measurement, paper_count, encourage_count, accept_count) %>%
  mutate(measure_key = factor(measure_key, levels = c("paper_count", "encourage_count", "accept_count")))
  filter(submission_year != "2017")

p1 <- d1 %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = submission_year, y = measurement, linetype = measure_key, color = measure_key, shape =
  geom_line() +
  geom_point(size = 2) +
  theme_dakota() +
  labs(
    x = "Submission Year",
    y = "Count of Manuscripts"
  ) +
  scale_color_manual(labels = c("accept_count" = "#Accepted", "encourage_count" = "#Encouraged", "paper
  scale_shape_discrete(labels = c("accept_count" = "#Accepted", "encourage_count" = "#Encouraged", "pap
  scale_linetype_discrete(labels = c("accept_count" = "#Accepted", "encourage_count" = "#Encouraged", "

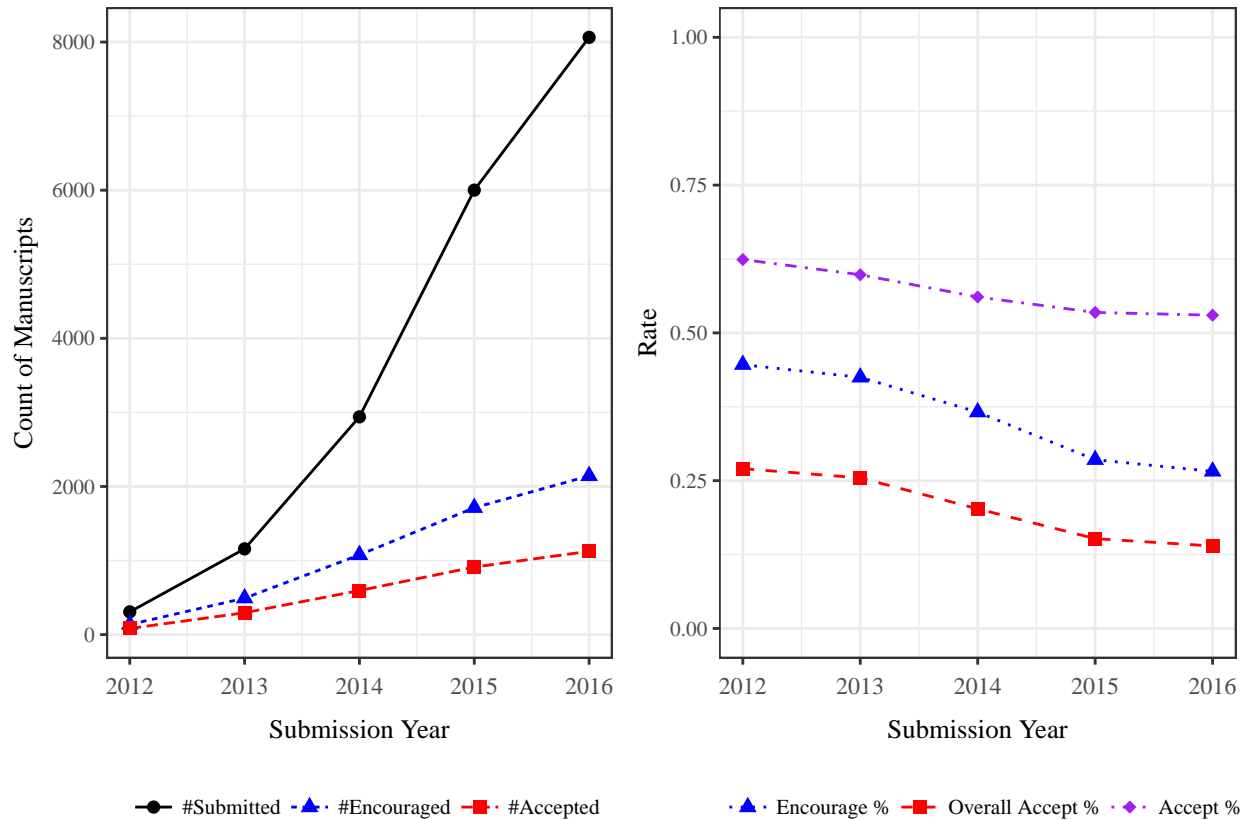
d2 <- elif %>%
  group_by(submission_year) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_rate = encourage_count / paper_count,
    accept_rate = accept_count / paper_count,
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / sum(!is.na(full_decision_made) & full_decision_made)
  ) %>%
  gather(measure_key, value = measurement, encourage_rate, accept_rate, encourage_accept_rate) %>%
  mutate(
    measure_key = factor(measure_key, levels = c("encourage_rate", "accept_rate", "encourage_accept_rate
  ) %>%
  filter(submission_year < 2017)

p2 <- d2 %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = submission_year, y = measurement, linetype = measure_key, color = measure_key, shape =
  geom_line() +
  geom_point(size = 2) +
  ylim(0, 1) +
  theme_dakota() +
  labs(
    x = "Submission Year",
    y = "Rate"
  ) +
  scale_color_manual(labels = c("accept_rate" = "Overall Accept %", "encourage_rate" = "Encourage %", "
    values = c("blue", "red", "purple")) +
  scale_shape_manual(labels = c("accept_rate" = "Overall Accept %", "encourage_rate" = "Encourage %", "
    values = c(17, 15, 18)) +

```

```
scale_linetype_manual(labels = c("accept_rate" = "Overall Accept %", "encourage_rate" = "Encourage %",
                                values = c("dotted", "dashed", "dotdash"))
```

```
fig2 <- grid.arrange(p1, p2, ncol = 2)
```



```
ggsave("figures/main/fig_2.png", plot = fig2, height = 4, width = 7)
```

```
write.csv(d1, "formatted_data/figure2_leftpanel_data.csv")
```

```
write.csv(d2, "formatted_data/figure2_rightpanel_data.csv")
```

Data to construct figure 2, right panel, including encourage, overall accept, and accept rates

```
d2 %>%
  spread(measure_key, measurement) %>%
  rename(
    overall_accept_rate = accept_rate,
    accept_rate = encourage_accept_rate
  )
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 7
##   submission_year paper_count accept_count encourage_count encourage_rate
## *           <int>       <int>       <int>         <int>         <dbl>
## 1             2012           307           83           137         0.4462541
## 2             2013          1158          295          492         0.4248705
## 3             2014          2940          595         1076         0.3659864
## 4             2015          6001          912         1713         0.2854524
```

```
## 5          2016          8064          1125          2143          0.2657490
## # ... with 2 more variables: overall_accept_rate <dbl>, accept_rate <dbl>
```

Figure 3

Figure 3. Top: proportion of identified men and women in the populations of distinct gatekeepers (senior editors, reviewing editors, and peer reviewers) and of the populations of distinct corresponding authors, first authors, and last authors; percentages exclude those for whom gender could be identified. Bottom: proportion of people with national affiliations within each of six continents in the population of distinct gatekeepers, and for the population of distinct corresponding, first, and last authors. Black dashed lines overlaid on authorship graphs indicate the proportion of gatekeepers within that gendered or continental category. Asterisks indicate the significance level of X2 tests of independence comparing the frequency of gender or continents between gatekeepers and each authorship type. “*****” = $p < 0.0001$; “ns” = $p > 0.05$.

```
# Now lets get the significance levels...
s <- subset(people, type == "Corr. Author" | type == "Gatekeeper" )
t <- t(table(s$gender, s$type))
corr <- chisq.test(t[1, 1:2], p = prop.table(t[2, 1:2]))

s <- subset(people, type == "First Author" | type == "Gatekeeper" )
t <- t(table(s$gender, s$type))
first <- chisq.test(t[1, 1:2], p = prop.table(t[2, 1:2]))

s <- subset(people, type == "Last Author" | type == "Gatekeeper" )
t <- t(table(s$gender, s$type))
last <- chisq.test(t[2, 1:2], p = prop.table(t[1, 1:2]))

sig_df <- data.frame(type = rep(c("Gatekeeper", "Corr. Author", "First Author", "Last Author"), 1),
                     gender = rep(c("Male", "Female"), 2),
                     sig = c("N/A", sig2ast(corr$p.value), sig2ast(first$p.value), sig2ast(last$p.value)))

gender_sig_list <- list("Corresponding Author" = corr, "First Author" = first, "Last Author" = last)

expected <- people %>%
  filter(gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  mutate(gender = ifelse(gender == "M", "Male", "Female")) %>%
  filter(type == "Gatekeeper") %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  group_by(type, gender) %>%
  summarize(
    expected_prop = n() / total[1]
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  select(-type)

p1 <- people %>%
  filter(gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  mutate(gender = ifelse(gender == "M", "Male", "Female")) %>%
  group_by(type) %>%
```

```

mutate(total = n()) %>%
group_by(type, gender) %>%
summarize(
  prop = n() / total[1]
) %>%
ungroup() %>%
left_join(expected, by = "gender") %>%
left_join(sig_df, by = c("gender", "type")) %>%
mutate(
  type = factor(type, levels = c("Gatekeeper", "Corr. Author", "First Author", "Last Author"))
) %>%
# start ggplot
ggplot(aes(x = gender, y = prop, fill = gender)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
geom_bar(stat = "identity", aes(y = expected_prop), alpha = 0, color = "black", fill = "white", size = 1) +
#geom_text(aes(label = paste0(round(prop, 3) * 100, "%"), y = 0.1), size = 3) +
geom_text(aes(label = sig, x = 1.5, y = 0.9)) +
geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 2, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1))) +
facet_wrap(~type, nrow = 1) +
theme_dakota() +
ylim(c(0, 1)) +
theme(
  axis.title.x = element_blank(),
  legend.position = "right"
) +
labs(y = "Proportion") +
guides(fill = F)

s <- subset(people, continent != "Antarctica" & (type == "Corr. Author" | type == "Gatekeeper" ))
t <- t(table(s$continent, s$type))
corr <- chisq.test(t[1, ], p = prop.table(t[2, ]))

s <- subset(people, continent != "Antarctica" & (type == "First Author" | type == "Gatekeeper" ))
t <- t(table(s$continent, s$type))
first <- chisq.test(t[1, ], p = prop.table(t[2, ]))

s <- subset(people, continent != "Antarctica" & (type == "Last Author" | type == "Gatekeeper" ))
t <- t(table(s$continent, s$type))
last <- chisq.test(t[2, ], p = prop.table(t[1, ]))

sig_df <- data.frame(type = rep(c("Gatekeeper", "Corr. Author", "First Author", "Last Author"), 3),
  continent = rep(c("Africa", "Asia", "Europe", "North America", "Oceania", "South America"), 3),
  sig = c("N/A", sig2ast(corr$p.value), sig2ast(first$p.value), sig2ast(last$p.value)))

continent_sig_list <- list("Corresponding Author" = corr, "First Author" = first, "Last Author" = last)

# Now we should repeat this graph, except this time for the continental representation
expected <- people %>%
  filter(type == "Gatekeeper") %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  filter(continent != "Antarctica") %>%
  group_by(type, continent) %>%
  summarize(

```



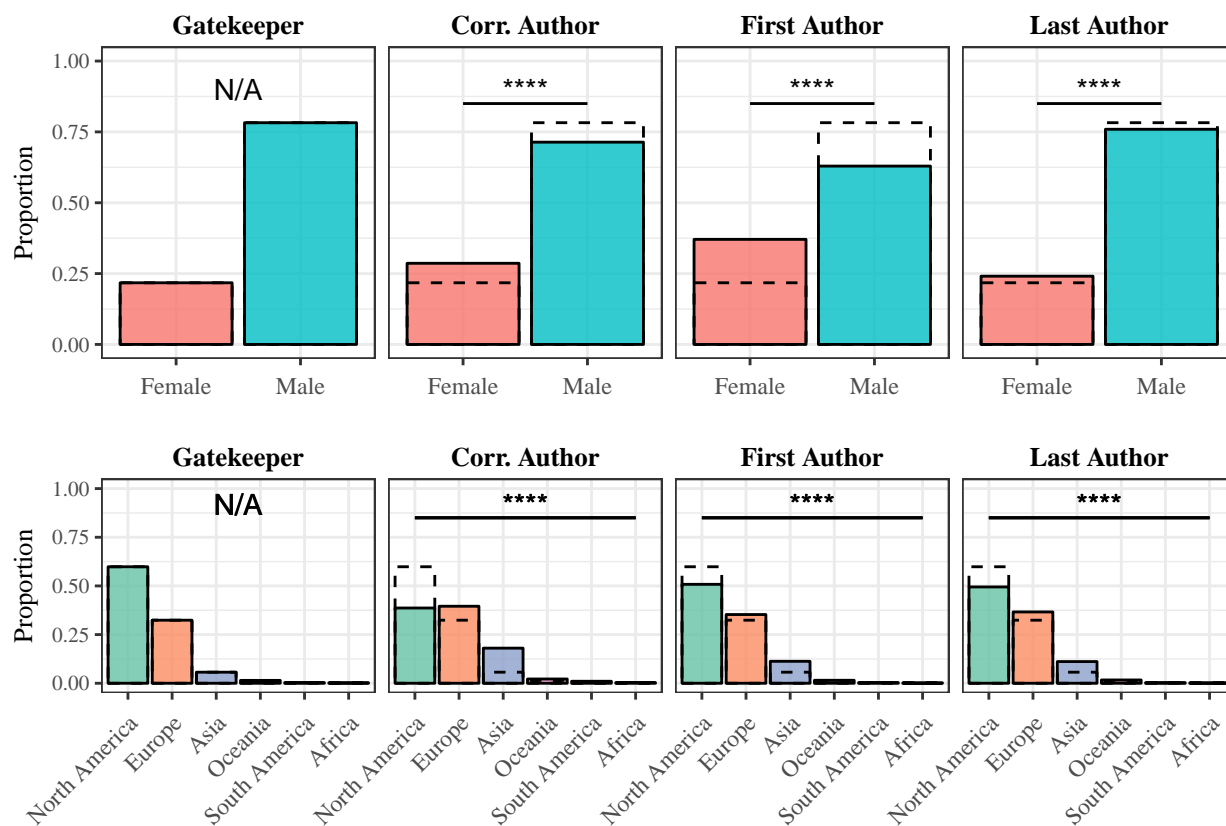
```

    expected_prop = n() / total[1]
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  select(-type)

p2 <- people %>%
  group_by(type) %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  filter(continent != "Antarctica") %>%
  group_by(type, continent) %>%
  summarize(
    prop = n() / total[1]
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  left_join(expected, by = "continent") %>%
  left_join(sig_df, by = c("continent", "type")) %>%
  mutate(
    type = factor(type, levels = c("Gatekeeper", "Corr. Author", "First Author", "Last Author")),
    continent = reorder(continent, -prop)
  ) %>%
  # start ggplot
  ggplot(aes(x = continent, y = prop, fill = continent)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", aes(y = expected_prop), alpha = 0, color = "black", fill = "white", size = 1) +
  #geom_text(aes(label = paste0(round(prop, 3) * 100, "%"), y = 0.05), size = 2) +
  geom_text(aes(label = sig, x = 3.5, y = 0.92)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 6, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1))) +
  facet_wrap(~type, nrow = 1) +
  theme_dakota() +
  ylim(c(0, 1)) +
  guides(fill = F) +
  theme(
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 1, hjust = 1),
    axis.title.x = element_blank()
  ) +
  labs(y = "Proportion") +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Set2")

fig3 <- grid.arrange(p1, p2)

```



```
ggsave("figures/main/fig_3.png", plot = fig3, height = 5, width = 7)
```

And below are the explicit results of the significance tests used in the previous graphs to compare the actual proportion of male/female authors with the expected proportion given the population of gatekeepers.

```
fig3_top_sig_table <- data.frame(
  authorship = c("Corresponding", "First", "Last"),
  p.value = sapply(gender_sig_list, function(x) x$p.value),
  n = sapply(gender_sig_list, function(x) sum(x$observed)),
  statistic = sapply(gender_sig_list, function(x) x$statistic),
  df = sapply(gender_sig_list, function(x) x$parameter)
)

rownames(fig3_top_sig_table) <- NULL
fig3_top_sig_table
```

```
##      authorship      p.value      n statistic df
## 1 Corresponding 3.002259e-103 16776 465.53476  1
## 2           First 1.877701e-184  6088 838.90516  1
## 3           Last  5.413785e-05   5163 16.29741  1
```

And the same for the content-level tests

```
fig3_bottom_sig_table <- data.frame(
  continent = c("Corresponding", "First", "Last"),
  p.value = sapply(continent_sig_list, function(x) x$p.value),
  n = sapply(continent_sig_list, function(x) sum(x$observed)),
  statistic = sapply(continent_sig_list, function(x) x$statistic),
  df = sapply(continent_sig_list, function(x) x$parameter)
)
```

```
rownames(fig3_bottom_sig_table) <- NULL
fig3_bottom_sig_table
```

```
##      continent      p.value      n statistic df
## 1 Corresponding 0.000000e+00 18193 6908.6581 5
## 2      First 1.271975e-101 6671 480.5294 5
## 3      Last 2.237163e-90 5565 428.4003 5
```

Frequencies of author and gatekeeper genders at eLife

```
people %>%
  group_by(type) %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  group_by(type, gender) %>%
  summarize(
    freq = n(),
    prop = freq / total[1]
  )
```

```
## # A tibble: 12 x 4
## # Groups:   type [?]
##       type gender  freq      prop
##       <chr> <fctr> <int>    <dbl>
## 1 Corr. Author    F   4803 0.26356802
## 2 Corr. Author    M  11973 0.65702683
## 3 Corr. Author   UNK   1447 0.07940515
## 4 First Author    F   2257 0.33646392
## 5 First Author    M   3831 0.57110912
## 6 First Author   UNK    620 0.09242695
## 7 Gatekeeper      F   1372 0.20572800
## 8 Gatekeeper      M   4934 0.73984106
## 9 Gatekeeper   UNK    363 0.05443095
## 10 Last Author    F   1243 0.22216265
## 11 Last Author    M   3920 0.70062556
## 12 Last Author   UNK    432 0.07721180
```

Frequencies of author and gatekeeper continental affiliations at eLife

```
people %>%
  group_by(type) %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  group_by(type, continent) %>%
  summarize(
    freq = n(),
    prop = freq / total[1]
  )
```

```
## # A tibble: 29 x 4
## # Groups:   type [?]
##       type continent  freq      prop
##       <chr>      <chr> <int>    <dbl>
## 1 Corr. Author  Africa    62 3.402294e-03
```

```
## 2 Corr. Author      Antarctica      1 5.487571e-05
## 3 Corr. Author      Asia      3288 1.804313e-01
## 4 Corr. Author      Europe      7211 3.957087e-01
## 5 Corr. Author North America      7045 3.865994e-01
## 6 Corr. Author      Oceania      399 2.189541e-02
## 7 Corr. Author South America      188 1.031663e-02
## 8 Corr. Author      <NA>      29 1.591395e-03
## 9 First Author      Africa      14 2.087060e-03
## 10 First Author      Antarctica      1 1.490757e-04
## # ... with 19 more rows
```

Figure 4

Figure 4. Percentage of full submissions that were accepted, shown by the gender of the corresponding author, first author, and last author. Authors whose gender is unknown are excluded from analysis. See Figure SI.2 for an extension of this figure including submission rates, encourage rates, and overall acceptance rates. Vertical error bars indicate 95th confidence intervals of the proportion of submitted, encouraged, and accepted initial and full submissions. Asterisks indicate significance level of X2 tests of independence of frequency of encourage and acceptance by gender; “*” = $p < 0.05$; “ns” = $p > 0.05$.

Note: There is a lot of extra code with this figure, because this figure originally showed information for submission rates and encourage and acceptance rates of initial submissions. Now we only show acceptance rates of full submissions. See figure SI.#### for the expanded figure.

First, I'll go through and run all the tests to get signif. values. I toyed around with ways to do this but the manual method is perhaps the simplest

First, test the encourage rate diffs

```
s <- subset(elif, initial_decision_made)
t <- table("ca_gender" = s$ca_gender, "encouraged" = s$encouraged)[1:2,]
ca_encouraged <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])
```

Difference in acceptance rates by gender of corresponding author

```
s <- subset(elif, initial_decision_made & (!has_full_submission | full_decision_made))
t <- table("ca_gender" = s$ca_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
ca_accepted <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])
```

Difference in encourage-acceptance rates by gender of corresponding author

```
s <- subset(elif, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made)
t <- table("ca_gender" = s$ca_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
ca_ea <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])
```

Difference in encourage-acceptance rates by gender of first author

```
s <- subset(elif, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made)
t <- table("fa_gender" = s$fa_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
fa_ea <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])
```

Difference in encourage-acceptance rates by gender of last author

```
s <- subset(elif, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made)
t <- table("la_gender" = s$la_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
la_ea <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])
```

Now we use the results of these tests to construct a table

```

measurements <- c(rep("submit_rate", 3), rep("encourage_rate", 3), rep("accept_rate", 3), rep("encourage_rate", 3))
author <- rep(c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"), 4)

sig <- c("N/A", "N/A", "N/A", # submit rates, all NA since we don't really compare this
        sig2ast(ca_encouraged$p.value), "N/A", "N/A", # encourage rate
        sig2ast(ca_accepted$p.value), "N/A", "N/A",
        sig2ast(ca_ea$p.value), sig2ast(fa_ea$p.value), sig2ast(la_ea$p.value)
        )
sig_df <- data.frame(measure_key = factor(measurements), author_key = factor(author), sig = sig)

# Now lets save these test results for later
sig_list <- list("Corresponding author enc. rate" = ca_encouraged,
                "Corresponding author acc. rate" = ca_accepted,
                "Corresponding author enc-acc rate" = ca_ea,
                "First author enc-acc rate" = fa_ea,
                "last author enc-acc rate" = la_ea)

data_fig4 <- elife %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made) %>%
  gather(author_key, value = gender, ca_gender, la_gender, fa_gender) %>%
  filter(gender %in% c('M', 'F')) %>%
  group_by(author_key) %>%
  mutate(
    # if not ocnsidering the corr. author, then the count is all full submissions, ie: for when a submi.
    total_papers = ifelse(author_key == "ca_gender", n(), sum(has_full_submission))
  ) %>%
  group_by(author_key, gender) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE),
    encourage_rate = ifelse(author_key[1] == "ca_gender", encourage_count / n(), NA),
    # this accept rate is the number of accepted papers / number of initial + full submissions
    accept_rate = ifelse(author_key[1] == "ca_gender", accept_count / sum(!has_full_submission | full_submission), NA),
    submit_rate = n() / total_papers[1],
    # this is the number of accepted papers divided by all papers
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / sum(has_full_submission & full_decision_made, na.rm = T)
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  gather(measure_key, value = measurement, submit_rate, encourage_accept_rate) %>%
  left_join(sig_df, by = c("measure_key", "author_key")) %>%
  mutate(
    author_key = factor(author_key,
                        levels = c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"),
                        labels = c("ca_gender" = "Corresponding Author", "fa_gender" = "First Author", "la_gender" = "Last Author"),
                        ),
    measure_key = factor(measure_key,
                        levels = c("submit_rate", "encourage_rate", "accept_rate", "encourage_accept_rate"),
                        labels = c("submit_rate" = "Submissions", "encourage_rate" = "Enc %", "accept_rate" = "Acc %", "encourage_accept_rate" = "Enc-Acc %"),
                        ),
    gender = ifelse(gender == "F", "Female", "Male"),
    standard_error = 1.96 * sqrt( (measurement * (1 - measurement)) / paper_count),
    lower = measurement - standard_error,

```

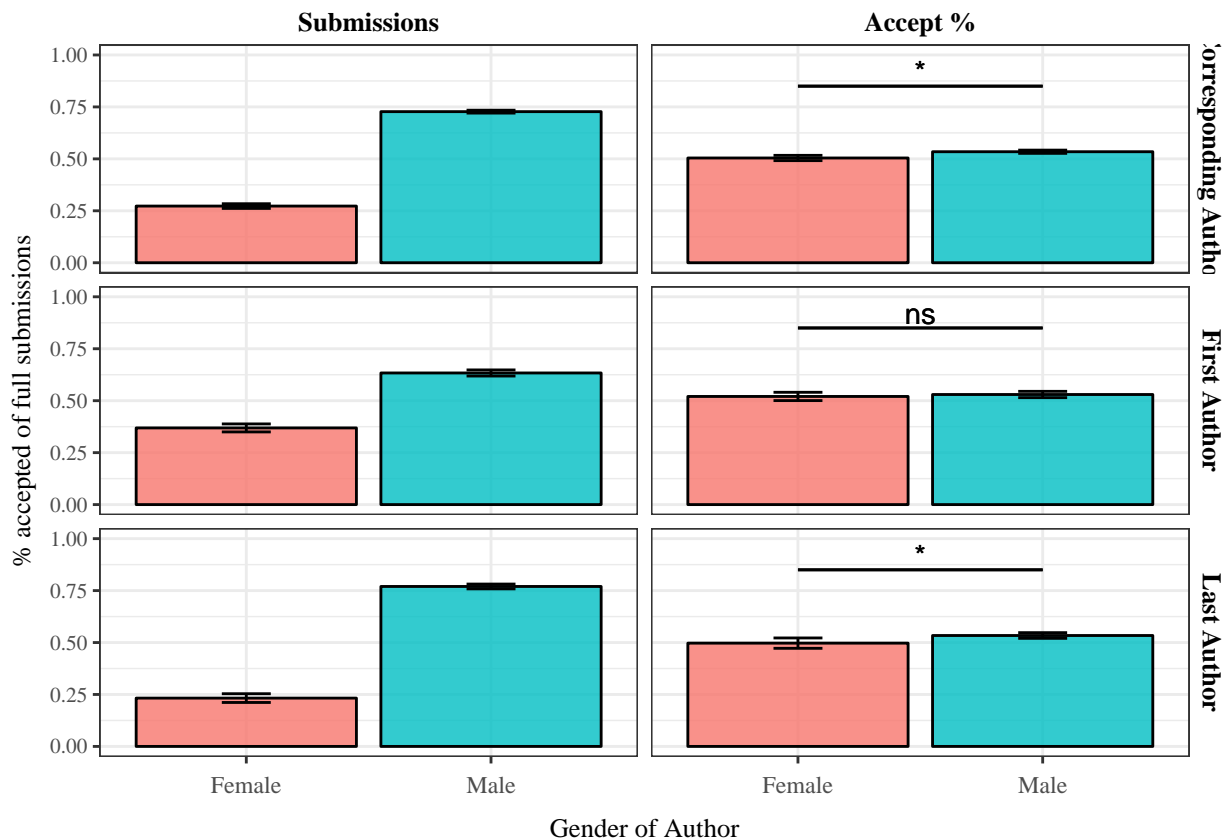
```

    upper = measurement + standard_error
  )

fig4 <- data_fig4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = gender, y = measurement, color = factor(gender), shape = factor(gender), fill = factor(gender))) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), width = 0.2, color = "black") +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1.5, y = 0.92, label = ifelse(measure_key == "Submissions", "", as.character(sig)))) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 2, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1))) +
  facet_grid(author_key ~ measure_key) +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0, 1)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  guides(fill = F) +
  labs(
    x = "Gender of Author",
    y = "% accepted of full submissions"
  )
)

fig4

```



```

ggsave("figures/main/fig_4.png", plot = fig4, height = 5, width = 7)

```

Signif. test results for figure 4

```

fig4_sig_table <- data.frame(
  test = names(sig_list),
  p.value = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$p.value),

```

```

n = sapply(sig_list, function(x) sum(x$observed)),
statistic = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$statistic),
df = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$parameter)
)

rownames(fig4_sig_table) <- NULL
fig4_sig_table

```

```

##               test      p.value      n statistic df
## 1 Corresponding author enc. rate 0.005739427 21846 7.6303466 1
## 2 Corresponding author acc. rate 0.001199540 21222 10.4910521 1
## 3 Corresponding author enc-acc rate 0.042796113 6014 4.1034377 1
## 4 First author enc-acc rate 0.504719617 5914 0.4449987 1
## 5 last author enc-acc rate 0.017358230 6036 5.6597870 1

```

Data used to produce figure 4

```

data_fig4 %>%
  select(-sig, -lower, -upper, -standard_error) %>%
  spread(measure_key, measurement)

```

```

## # A tibble: 6 x 9
##       author_key gender paper_count accept_count encourage_count
## *      <fctr>   <chr>      <int>      <int>      <int>
## 1 Corresponding Author Female      5959        790       1705
## 2 Corresponding Author   Male     15887       2376       4853
## 3 First Author Female      2409       1142       2356
## 4 First Author   Male      4136       1971       4045
## 5 Last Author Female      1549        695       1515
## 6 Last Author   Male      5128       2476       5014
## # ... with 4 more variables: encourage_rate <dbl>, accept_rate <dbl>,
## # Submissions <dbl>, `Accept %` <dbl>

```

Gender distribution of gender-identified authors on full submissions at eLife, at manuscript level, includes duplicate authors

```

full <- elife %>%
  filter(has_full_submission)

```

Of corresponding authors

```

full %>%
  filter(ca_gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  group_by(ca_gender) %>%
  summarize(
    freq = n(),
    prop = freq / dim(full)[1]
  )

```

```

## # A tibble: 2 x 3
##   ca_gender freq      prop
##   <fctr> <int>    <dbl>

```



```
## 1      F  1725 0.2398165
## 2      M  4913 0.6830252
```

First authors...

```
full %>%
  filter(fa_gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  group_by(fa_gender) %>%
  summarize(
    freq = n(),
    prop = freq / dim(full)[1]
  )
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
##   fa_gender freq      prop
##   <fctr> <int>    <dbl>
## 1      F  2404 0.3342138
## 2      M  4125 0.5734742
```

And last authors

```
full %>%
  filter(la_gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  group_by(la_gender) %>%
  summarize(
    freq = n(),
    prop = freq / dim(full)[1]
  )
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 3
##   la_gender freq      prop
##   <fctr> <int>    <dbl>
## 1      F  1547 0.2150702
## 2      M  5114 0.7109690
```

Figure 5

Figure 5. Percentage of full submissions that were accepted, shown by the gender of the last author, and divided by the gender composition of the peer reviewers. Text at the base of each bar indicate the number full submissions within each category of reviewer team and authorship gender. Vertical error bars indicate 95th percentile confidence intervals of the proportion of accepted full submissions. For the composition category of “All women reviewers”, error bars extend beyond scale of figure; see Figure SI.3 to see the error interval. Asterisks indicate significance level of X2 tests of independence on frequency of acceptance by gender of author given each team composition; “ns” indicates no observed statistical significance. “*” = $p < 0.05$; “ns” = $p > 0.05$.

Note: As with figure 4, we ultimately decided to simplify this figure, and so there is some excess code. The expanded code can be found in figure SI.###.

```
sig_list <- list()
for(comp in c("All Men", "All Women", "Mixed", "Uncertain")) {
  for(gender_var in c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender")) {
    if (!is.na(comp)) {
      sub <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made & composition == comp)[, c("accept", gender_var)]
      t <- t(table(sub))[1:2,]
      test = chisq.test(t)
      test$n = dim(sub)[1]
    }
  }
}
```

```

    sig_list[length(sig_list) + 1] <- list(test)
  }
}
}

sig_df <- data.frame(composition = c(rep("All Men", 3), rep("All Women", 3), rep("Mixed", 3), rep("Uncertain", 3)),
  author_key = rep(c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"), 4),
  sig = apply(sig_list, function(test) { sig2ast(test$p.value)})
)

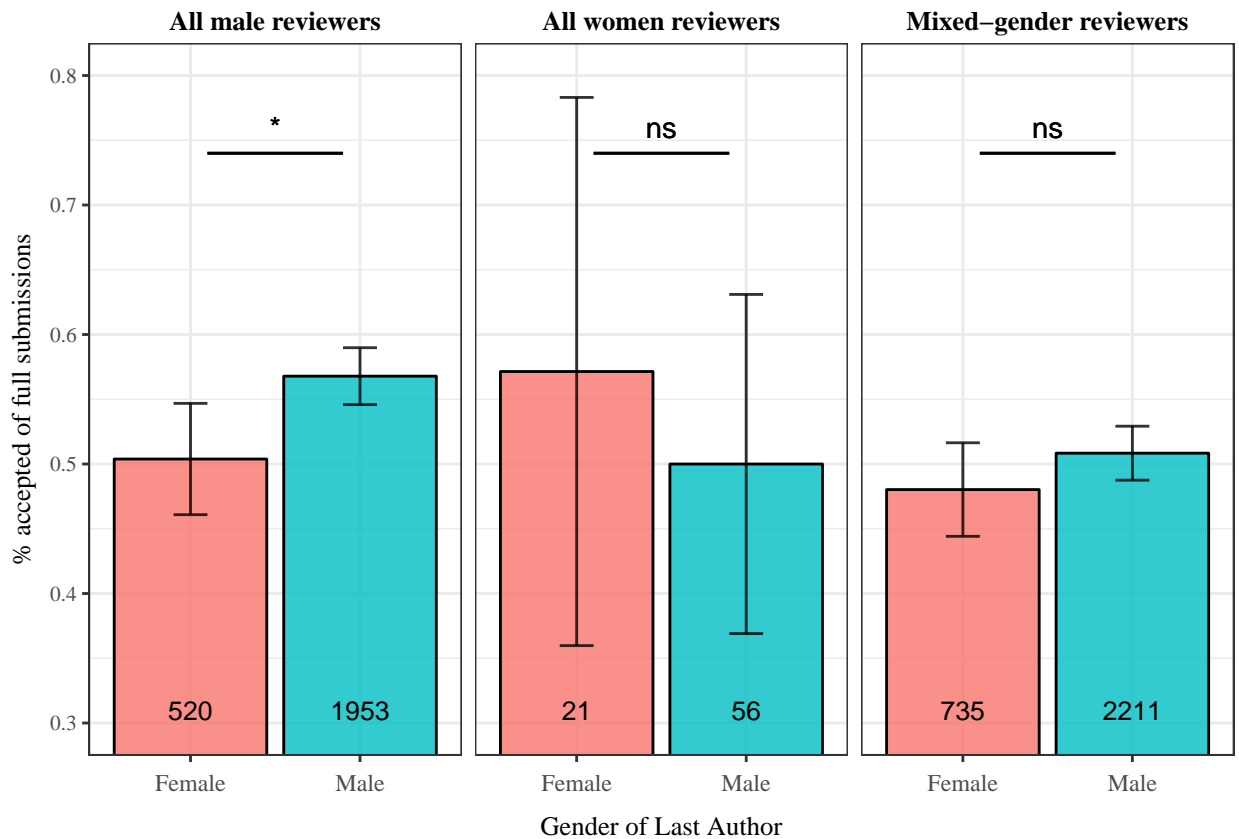
data_fig5 <- elife %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made & full_decision_made & !is.na(composition)) %>%
  mutate(total_submissions = n()) %>%
  gather(author_key, value = gender, la_gender) %>%
  filter(gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  group_by(composition, author_key, gender) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE),
    acceptance_rate = sum(accepted == TRUE) / paper_count,
    standard_error = 1.96 * sqrt( (acceptance_rate * (1 - acceptance_rate)) / paper_count),
    lower = acceptance_rate - standard_error,
    upper = acceptance_rate + standard_error
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  left_join(sig_df, by = c("composition", "author_key")) %>%
  mutate(
    author_key = factor(author_key,
      levels = c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"),
      labels = c("ca_gender" = "Corresponding", "fa_gender" = "First", "la_gender" = "Last")
    ),
    gender = ifelse(gender == "M", "Male", "Female"),
    composition = factor(composition, labels = c("All Men" = "All male reviewers", "All Women" = "All female reviewers", "Mixed" = "Mixed gender reviewers", "Uncertain" = "Uncertain"))
  ) %>%
  filter(composition != "Uncertain")

fig5 <- data_fig5 %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = gender, y = acceptance_rate, fill = gender)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  geom_text(aes(y = 0.31, label = paper_count), size = 3.5, color = "black") +
  #geom_text(aes(y = 0.1, label = paste0(round(acceptance_rate, 3) * 100, "%")), size = 2.5, color = "black") +
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), width = 0.2, color = "black", alpha = 0.8) +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1.5, y = 0.76, label = sig), color = "black") +
  #geom_text(aes(x = gender, y = 0.1, label = round(acceptance_rate, 3) * 100), color = "black") +
  geom_segment(aes(x = 1.1, xend = 1.9, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.74, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.74, 1.1)), color = "black") +
  facet_wrap(~composition) +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0.30, 0.8)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  guides(fill = F) +
  labs(y = "% accepted of full submissions",
    x = "Gender of Last Author")

```

```
)
```

fig5



```
ggsave("figures/main/fig_5.png", plot = fig5, height = 5, width = 7)
```

Signif. test results for figure 5

```
names(sig_list) <- c("Reviewers all Men - Corresponding", "Reviewers all Men - First", "Reviewers all M
                    "Reviewers all Women - Corresponding", "Reviewers all Women - First", "Reviewers a
                    "Mixed Gender Reviewers - Corresponding", "Mixed Gender Reviewers - First", "Mixed
                    "Uncertain Composition - Corresponding", "Uncertain Composition - First", "Uncerta

fig4_sig_table <- data.frame(
  composition = sapply(strsplit(names(sig_list), " - "), function(x) x[1]),
  authorship = sapply(strsplit(names(sig_list), " - "), function(x) x[2]),
  n = sapply(sig_list, function(x) sum(x$observed)),
  df = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$parameter),
  statistic = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$statistic),
  p.value = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$p.value)
)

rownames(fig4_sig_table) <- NULL
fig4_sig_table
```

```
##          composition  authorship  n df  statistic  p.value
```

```
## 1      Reviewers all Men Corresponding 2473 1 4.67111748 0.03067396
## 2      Reviewers all Men      First 2443 1 0.18348567 0.66839467
## 3      Reviewers all Men      Last 2473 1 6.55182123 0.01047769
## 4      Reviewers all Women Corresponding 75 1 2.60643930 0.10643049
## 5      Reviewers all Women      First 71 1 0.17354928 0.67697652
## 6      Reviewers all Women      Last 77 1 0.09158925 0.76216640
## 7      Mixed Gender Reviewers Corresponding 2928 1 1.37835803 0.24038103
## 8      Mixed Gender Reviewers      First 2870 1 0.00000000 1.00000000
## 9      Mixed Gender Reviewers      Last 2946 1 1.63111443 0.20154898
## 10     Uncertain Composition Corresponding 538 1 0.09738538 0.75499013
## 11     Uncertain Composition      First 530 1 1.01590767 0.31349169
## 12     Uncertain Composition      Last 540 1 0.53894969 0.46286834
```

Data used to produce figure 5

```
data_fig5 %>%
  select(-standard_error, -lower, -upper, -sig, -author_key)

## # A tibble: 6 x 5
##       composition gender paper_count accept_count acceptance_rate
##       <fctr>    <chr>      <int>      <int>      <dbl>
## 1 All male reviewers Female      520        262      0.5038462
## 2 All male reviewers Male      1953       1109      0.5678443
## 3 All women reviewers Female      21         12      0.5714286
## 4 All women reviewers Male       56         28      0.5000000
## 5 Mixed-gender reviewers Female    735        353      0.4802721
## 6 Mixed-gender reviewers Male    2211       1124      0.5083673
```

Number of full submissions

```
full <- elif %>% filter(has_full_submission)
dim(full)[1]

## [1] 7193
```

Number of full submissions for which a final decision of accept or reject was made

```
table(full$final_decision_made)

##
## FALSE  TRUE
##   602   6591
```

Reviewer team composition for full submissions with a final decision

```
full_final <- full %>% filter(final_decision_made)
table(full_final$composition)

##
## All Men All Women      Mixed Uncertain
```

```
##      2697      81      3226      587
As %
prop.table(table(full_final$composition))

##
##      All Men  All Women      Mixed  Uncertain
## 0.40919436 0.01228949 0.48945532 0.08906084
```

Figure 6

Figure 6. Top: proportion of all initial submissions, encouraged initial submissions, and accepted full submissions comprised by the national affiliation of the corresponding author for the top eight most prolific countries in terms of initial submissions. Bottom: Encourage rate of initial submissions, acceptance rate of initial submissions, and acceptance rate of full submissions by national affiliation of the corresponding author for the top eight more prolific countries in terms of initial submissions. Error bars on bottom panel indicate standard error of proportion of encouraged initial submissions and accepted initial and full submissions for each country. This same graph with the top 16 most prolific nations can be found in Figure SI.4

```
# Its easiest and most efficient to calculate these total values outside of the dplyr chain below
total_submissions <- length(unique(elifе$MSNO))
total_full_submissions <- sum(!elifе$full_decision_date_isNA, na.rm = T)
total_encouraged <- with(elifе, sum(initial_decision_made & encouraged, na.rm = T))
total_accepted <- with(elifе, sum(full_decision_made & accepted == T, na.rm = T))

# Firs the first plot, this one will show the proportion that each countrie constitutes the total number
data_fig5_p1 <- elifе %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made & (full_decision_made | full_decision_date_isNA) & !is.na(ca_country)) %>%
  mutate(ca_country = factor(sapply(as.character(ca_country), simpleCap))) %>% # capitalize first letter
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    full_submissions = sum(has_full_submission),
    prop_of_full = full_submissions / total_full_submissions,
    prop_of_initial = paper_count / total_submissions,
    prop_of_encouraged = encourage_count / total_encouraged,
    prop_of_accepted = accept_count / total_accepted
  ) %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  mutate(totals = sum(paper_count)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  top_n(8, totals) %>%
  gather(prop_key, value = prop, prop_of_initial, prop_of_full, prop_of_accepted) %>%
  mutate(prop_key = factor(prop_key,
    levels = c("prop_of_initial", "prop_of_full", "prop_of_accepted"),
    labels = c("prop_of_initial" = "Prop. of Initial Submissions",
      "prop_of_full" = "Prop. of Full Submissions",
      "prop_of_accepted" = "Prop. of Accepted Submissions")),
    ca_country = reorder(ca_country, paper_count)
  )
```

```

p1 <- data_fig5_p1 %>%
  # Start ggplot
  ggplot(aes(x = ca_country, y = prop)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", color = "black", alpha = 0.8, fill = "dodgerblue4", position = position_dodge()) +
  geom_text(aes(y = prop, label = paste0(round(prop, 3) * 100, "%")), size = 2.5, hjust = -0.2, family = "serif") +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1)) +
  facet_wrap(~prop_key, labeller = labeller(key = labels)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  coord_flip() +
  ylim(0, 0.7) +
  labs(y = "") +
  theme(
    strip.background = element_blank(),
    text = element_text(size = 10, family = "Times"),
    plot.title = element_text(size = 12),
    strip.text = element_text(face = "bold"),
    axis.title.y = element_blank()
  )

data_fig5_p2 <- elife %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made & (full_decision_made | full_decision_date_isNA) & !is.na(ca_country)) %>%
  mutate(ca_country = factor(sapply(as.character(ca_country), simpleCap))) %>% # capitalize first letter
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_rate = encourage_count / paper_count,
    accept_rate = accept_count / sum(!has_full_submission | full_decision_made, na.rm = T),
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / sum(has_full_submission & full_decision_made, na.rm = T)
  ) %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  mutate(totals = sum(paper_count)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  top_n(8, totals) %>%
  mutate(
    ca_country = reorder(ca_country, encourage_accept_rate)
  ) %>%
  gather(measure_key, value = measurement, encourage_rate, accept_rate, encourage_accept_rate) %>%
  mutate(measure_key = factor(measure_key,
    levels = c("encourage_accept_rate", "encourage_rate", "accept_rate"),
    labels = c("encourage_accept_rate" = "% accepted of full submissions",
      "encourage_rate" = "% encouraged of initial submissions",
      "accept_rate" = "%accepted of initial submissions"
    ))
  ) %>%
  group_by(measure_key) %>%
  mutate(
    se = 1.96 * sqrt(measurement * (1 - measurement) / paper_count),
    lower = measurement - se,
    upper = measurement + se
  )

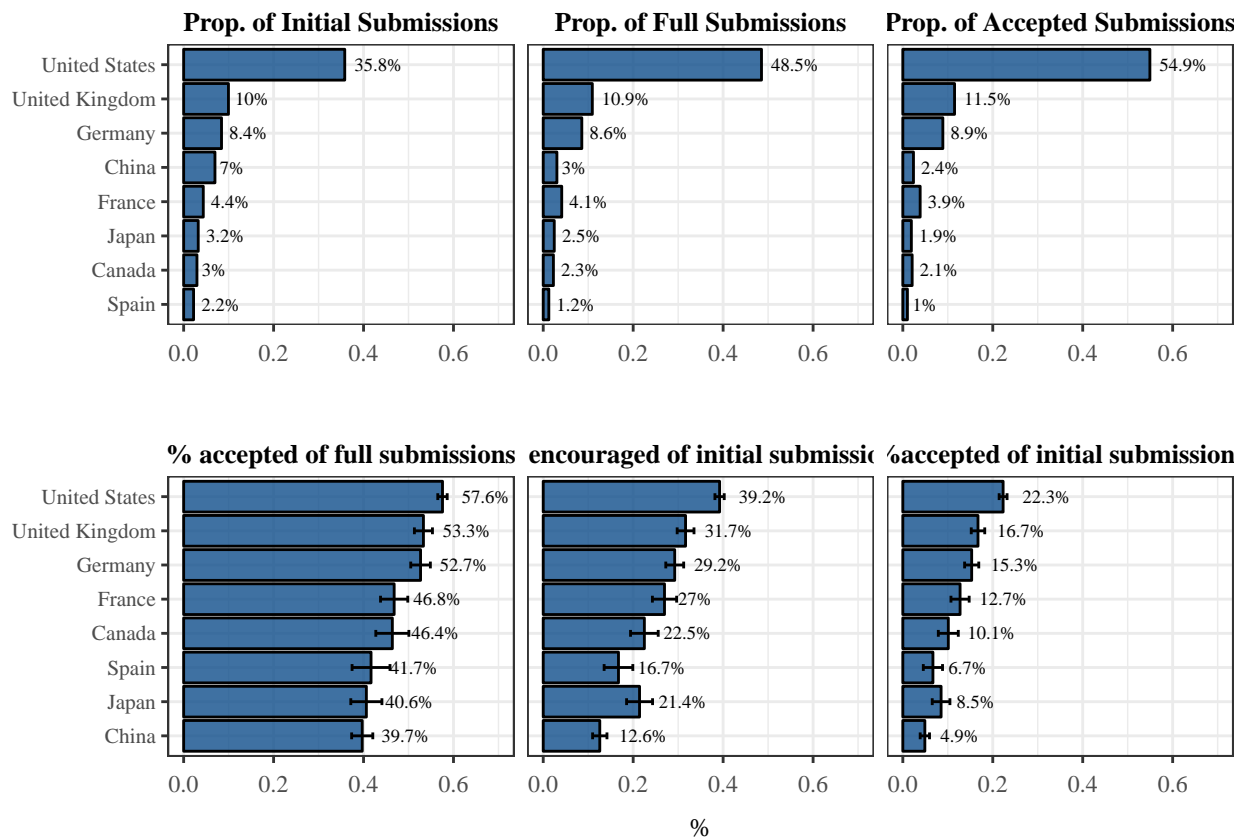
```

```

p2 <- data_fig5_p2 %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = ca_country, y = measurement)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", color = "black", fill = "dodgerblue4", alpha = 0.8) +
  geom_text(aes(y = measurement, label = paste0(round(measurement, 3) * 100, "%")), size = 2.5, hjust =
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), width = 0.2) +
  facet_wrap(~measure_key, labeller = labeller(key = labels)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  labs(y = "%") +
  coord_flip() +
  ylim(0, 0.7) +
  theme(
    axis.title.y = element_blank()
  )

fig6 <- grid.arrange(p1, p2)

```



```

ggsave("figures/main/fig_6.png", plot = fig6, height = 7, width = 8)

```

Data to produce figure 5, the top panel

```

data_table <- data_fig5_p1 %>%
  spread(prop_key, prop)

```

```
data_table
```

```
## # A tibble: 8 x 10
```



```
##      ca_country paper_count accept_count encourage_count full_submissions
## *      <fctr>      <int>      <int>      <int>      <int>
## 1      Spain      526        35         88         87
## 2      Canada     707        71        159        158
## 3      Japan      775        65        166        171
## 4      France    1042       132        281        287
## 5      China     1662        81        209        212
## 6      Germany   2011       305        588        598
## 7 United Kingdom 2379       394        753        761
## 8 United States  8553      1882       3354       3383
## # ... with 5 more variables: prop_of_encouraged <dbl>, totals <int>,
## #   `Prop. of Initial Submissions` <dbl>, `Prop. of Full
## #   Submissions` <dbl>, `Prop. of Accepted Submissions` <dbl>
```

Proportion of initial submissions constituted by top 8 countries

```
sum(data_table$`Prop. of Initial Submissions`)
```

```
## [1] 0.7393526
```

Proportion of full submissions constituted by top 8 countries

```
sum(data_table$`Prop. of Full Submissions`)
```

```
## [1] 0.8115048
```

Proportion of accepted submissions constituted by top 8 countries

```
sum(data_table$`Prop. of Accepted Submissions`)
```

```
## [1] 0.8654407
```

Data used to produce figure 5, bottom panel

```
data_table <- data_fig5_p2 %>%
  select(-se, -lower, -upper)
```

```
data_table
```

```
## # A tibble: 24 x 7
## # Groups:   measure_key [3]
##      ca_country paper_count accept_count encourage_count totals
##      <fctr>      <int>      <int>      <int>      <int>
## 1      Canada     707        71        159        707
## 2      China     1662        81        209       1662
## 3      France    1042       132        281       1042
## 4      Germany   2011       305        588       2011
## 5      Japan      775        65        166        775
## 6      Spain      526        35         88        526
## 7 United Kingdom 2379       394        753       2379
```

```
## 8 United States      8553      1882      3354      8553
## 9      Canada        707        71        159        707
## 10     China       1662        81        209       1662
## # ... with 14 more rows, and 2 more variables: measure_key <fctr>,
## #      measurement <dbl>
```

Figure 7

Figure 7. Left: acceptance rate of full submissions compared between presence and absence of homogeneity between the national affiliation of the corresponding author and of at least one. Difference is shown comparing the results for all submissions (top), for all submissions that do not have corresponding authors from the U.S. (middle), and for all submissions that do not have a corresponding author from the U.S., U.K., or Germany (bottom). Right: acceptance rate of full submissions by national homogeneity, shown by individual countries. Included here are the top eight most prolific countries in terms of number of initial submissions. For both panels: vertical error bars indicate 95th percentile confidence intervals for the proportion of accepted full submissions. Values at the base of each bar indicate the number of observations within that combination of country and homophily variables. Asterisks indicate significance level of X2 tests of independence comparing frequency of accepted full submissions between presence and absence of homophily and within each country. “*****” = $p < 0.0001$; “****” = $p < 0.01$; “***” = $p < 0.05$; “.” = $p < 0.1$; “ns” = $p > 0.05$.

Note: this figure is constructed in multiple parts

```
countries <- c("canada", "china", "france", "germany", "japan", "switzerland", "united kingdom", "united
sig_list <- list()
for (country in countries) {
  s <- subset(elife, full_decision_made == T & has_full_submission & ca_country == country)
  t <- table(s$ca_country_homophily, s$accepted)
  test = chisq.test(t[, 1:2])
  sig_list[length(sig_list) + 1] <- list(country = test)
}

sig_df <- data.frame(
  ca_country = countries,
  sig = sapply(sig_list, function(l) {sig2ast(l$p.value) })
)

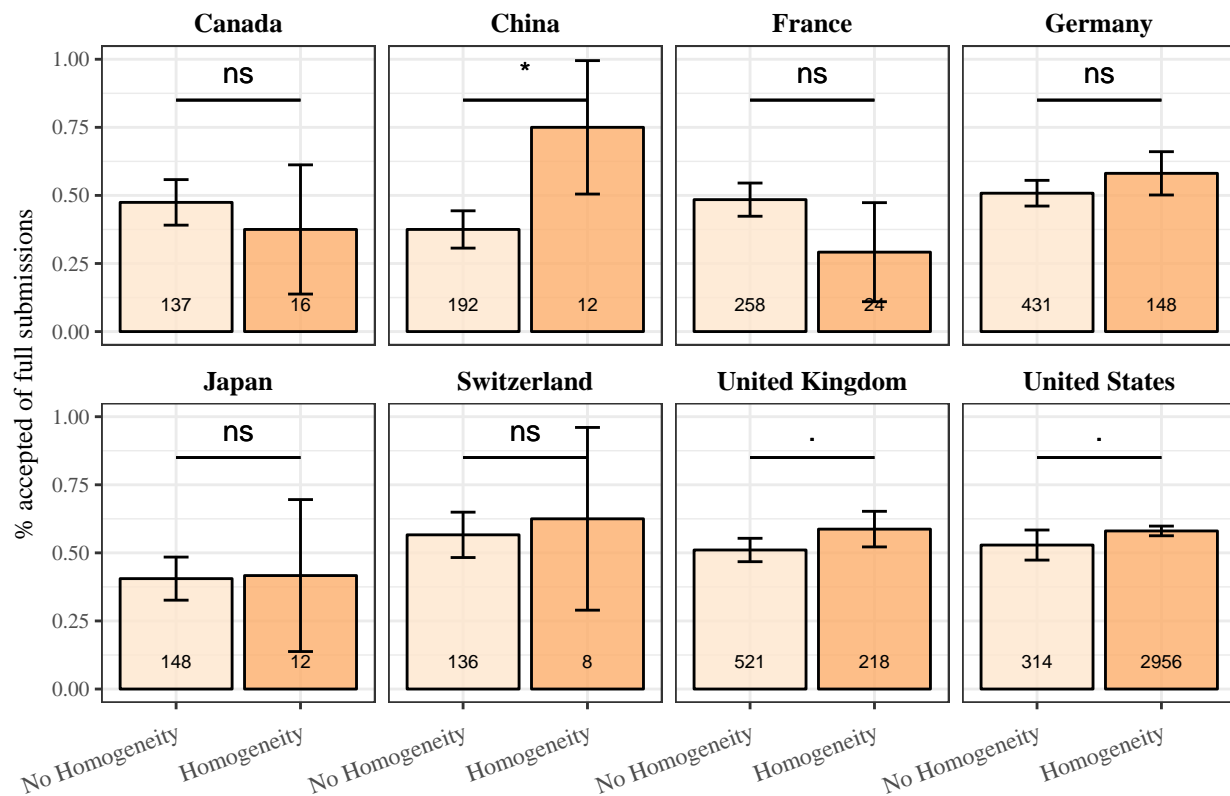
fig7.A <- elife %>%
  filter(full_decision_made & has_full_submission & ca_country %in% countries) %>%
  group_by(ca_country, ca_country_homophily) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / paper_count,
    se = 1.96 * sqrt( (encourage_accept_rate * (1 - encourage_accept_rate)) / paper_count),
    lower = encourage_accept_rate - se,
    upper = encourage_accept_rate + se,
    upper = ifelse(upper > 1, 1, upper)
  ) %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  mutate(totals = sum(paper_count)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  left_join(sig_df) %>%
```

```

#top_n(16, totals) %>% # 8 countries, 3 authorship types per country, therefore first 24 rows
mutate(ca_country = factor(sapply(as.character(ca_country), simpleCap))) %>%
# Start ggplot
ggplot(aes(x = ca_country_homophily, y = encourage_accept_rate, fill = ca_country_homophily)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = position_dodge(), color = "black", alpha = 0.8) +
geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), color = "black", width = 0.2) +
geom_text(aes(label = paper_count, y = 0.1), size = 2.5) +
geom_text(aes(label = sig, x = 1.5, y = 0.95)) +
geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 2, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.85, 1.1))) +
facet_wrap(~ca_country, nrow = 2, ncol = 4) +
ylim(0, 1) +
theme_dakota() +
guides(fill = FALSE) +
scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Oranges", labels = c("No Homogeneity", "Homogeneity")) +
scale_x_discrete(labels = c("No Homogeneity", "Homogeneity")) +
labs(
  x = "",
  y = "% accepted of full submissions"
) +
theme(
  axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 20, vjust = 1, hjust = 1)
)

```

fig7.A



And here are the results from the tests used in the graph above

```

fig7_sig_table <- data.frame(
  country = countries,

```

```

p.value = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$p.value),
n = sapply(sig_list, function(x) sum(x$observed)),
statistic = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$statistic),
df = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$parameter)
)

rownames(fig7_sig_table) <- NULL
fig7_sig_table

##          country    p.value      n    statistic df
## 1         canada 0.62417406   153 2.400444e-01  1
## 2          china 0.02311008   204 5.160212e+00  1
## 3         france 0.11026576   282 2.550408e+00  1
## 4         germany 0.15032115   579 2.068989e+00  1
## 5          japan 1.00000000   160 0.000000e+00  1
## 6    switzerland 1.00000000   144 1.608755e-30  1
## 7 united kingdom 0.06836581   739 3.321827e+00  1
## 8 united states 0.08774438  3270 2.915276e+00  1

# Get the data, all countries included
d1 <- elife %>%
  filter(full_decision_made & has_full_submission)

# exclude United States
d2 <- elife %>%
  filter(full_decision_made & has_full_submission) %>%
  filter(ca_country != "united states")

# Excluding all founding countries: U.S., U.K., and Germany
d3 <- elife %>%
  filter(full_decision_made & has_full_submission) %>%
  filter(!ca_country %in% c("united states", "united kingdom", "germany"))

# we also need to get the statistical test information for each
t1 <- chisq.test(table(d1$ca_country_homophily, d1$accepted))
t2 <- chisq.test(table(d2$ca_country_homophily, d2$accepted))
t3 <- chisq.test(table(d3$ca_country_homophily, d3$accepted))
sig_list <- list(t1, t2, t3)

sig_df <- data.frame(
  type = c("all", "no us", "no founder"),
  sig = sapply(sig_list, function(l) {sig2ast(l$p.value) })
)

d1.summ <- d1 %>%
  group_by(ca_country_homophily) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / paper_count,
    se = 1.96 * sqrt( (encourage_accept_rate * (1 - encourage_accept_rate)) / paper_count),
    lower = encourage_accept_rate - se,
    upper = encourage_accept_rate + se,

```

```

    upper = ifelse(upper > 1, 1, upper),
    type = "all"
  )

d2.summ <- d2 %>%
  group_by(ca_country_homophily) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / paper_count,
    se = 1.96 * sqrt( (encourage_accept_rate * (1 - encourage_accept_rate)) / paper_count),
    lower = encourage_accept_rate - se,
    upper = encourage_accept_rate + se,
    upper = ifelse(upper > 1, 1, upper),
    type = "no us"
  )

d3.summ <- d3 %>%
  group_by(ca_country_homophily) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / paper_count,
    se = 1.96 * sqrt( (encourage_accept_rate * (1 - encourage_accept_rate)) / paper_count),
    lower = encourage_accept_rate - se,
    upper = encourage_accept_rate + se,
    upper = ifelse(upper > 1, 1, upper),
    type = "no founder"
  )

fig7.B <- d1.summ %>%
  union(d2.summ) %>%
  union(d3.summ) %>%
  left_join(sig_df, by = "type") %>%
  mutate(type = factor(type,
                        levels = c("all", "no us", "no founder"),
                        labels = c("All Countries", "Excluding U.S.", "Excluding Founding Nations")
  )) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = ca_country_homophily, y = encourage_accept_rate, fill = ca_country_homophily)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = position_dodge(), color = "black", alpha = 0.8) +
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), color = "black", width = 0.2) +
  geom_text(aes(label = paper_count, y = 0.35), size = 2.5) +
  geom_text(aes(label = sig, x = 1.5, y = 0.65)) +
  geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 2, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.6, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.6
  facet_wrap(~type, nrow = 3) +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0.3, 0.7)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  guides(fill = FALSE) +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Oranges", labels = c("No Homogeneity", "Homogeneity")) +
  scale_x_discrete(labels = c("No Homogeneity", "Homogeneity")) +
  labs(
    x = "",

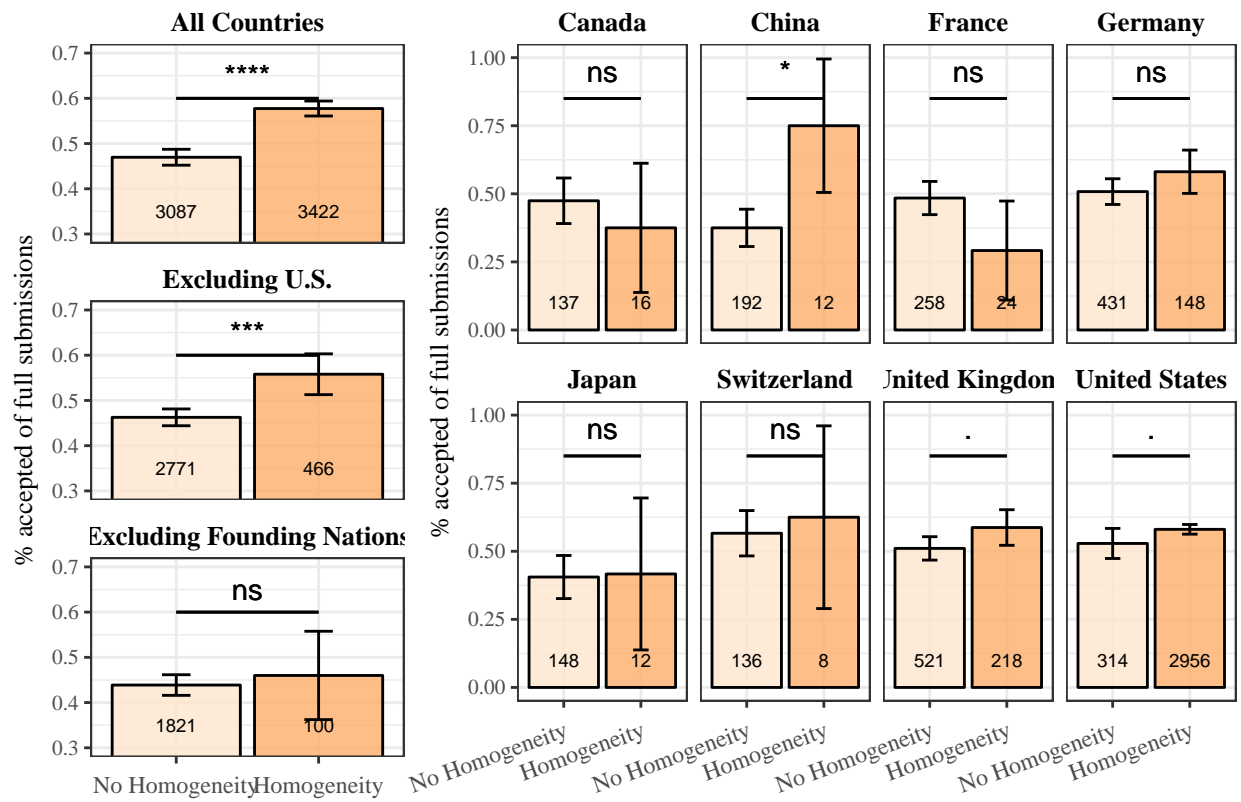
```

```

y = "% accepted of full submissions"
)

fig7 <- grid.arrange(fig7.B, fig7.A, ncol = 2, widths = 1:2)

```



```

ggsave("figures/main/fig_7.png", plot = fig7, height = 4, width = 7)

fig7.B_sig_table <- data.frame(
  type = c("all", "no us", "no founer"),
  p.value = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$p.value),
  n = sapply(sig_list, function(x) sum(x$observed)),
  statistic = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$statistic),
  df = sapply(sig_list, function(x) x$parameter)
)

rownames(fig7.B_sig_table) <- NULL
fig7.B_sig_table

```

```

##      type      p.value      n  statistic df
## 1      all 4.434496e-18 6509 75.11780295  1
## 2     no us 1.695054e-04 3237 14.14212248  1
## 3 no founer 7.543076e-01 1921  0.09794679  1

```

Presence of author-reviewer national homogeneity by country of corresponding author

```

full <- elif %>%
  filter(has_full_submission) %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%

```

```

summarize(
  submissions = n(),
  prop_homogeny = sum(ca_country_homophily, na.rm = T) / submissions
) %>%
arrange(-prop_homogeny)

full

## # A tibble: 54 x 3
##       ca_country submissions prop_homogeny
##       <fctr>         <int>         <dbl>
## 1 united states     3605     0.90513176
## 2 united kingdom      803     0.29763387
## 3 germany            641     0.25273011
## 4 canada            176     0.11363636
## 5 south korea         45     0.11111111
## 6 south africa        11     0.09090909
## 7 france             310     0.07741935
## 8 japan              184     0.07608696
## 9 australia          101     0.06930693
## 10 china             233     0.06437768
## # ... with 44 more rows

```

Supp. Materials

Figure SI.1

Figure SI.1 Average number of revisions a full submissions undergoes before a final decision of accept or reject is made. In this case, zero revisions occurs when a full submission is accepted or rejected without a request for any revisions. The dataset records at maximum two revisions, though only a small number of manuscripts remain in revision after two submissions (see figure 1). For this figure, we only include manuscripts for which a final decision is made after zero, one, or two revisions. The left panel shows differences in the average number of revisions by the country of the last author. The right shows the average revisions by the gender of the last author.

```

fig_SI.1.A <- elife %>%
  filter(full_decision_made & has_full_submission & la_country %in% countries) %>%
  group_by(la_country) %>%
  summarize(
    avg_revisions = mean(num_revisions)
  ) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = reorder(la_country, -avg_revisions), y = avg_revisions)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = "dodgerblue4", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  theme_dakota() +
  labs(x = "Country of last author",
       y = "Average number of revisions",
       title = "Avg. revisions by country") +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0.5, 0.85)) +
  theme(
    plot.title = element_text(size = 12, margin = margin(0, 0, 2, 0)),
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 30, hjust = 1, vjust = 1)
  )

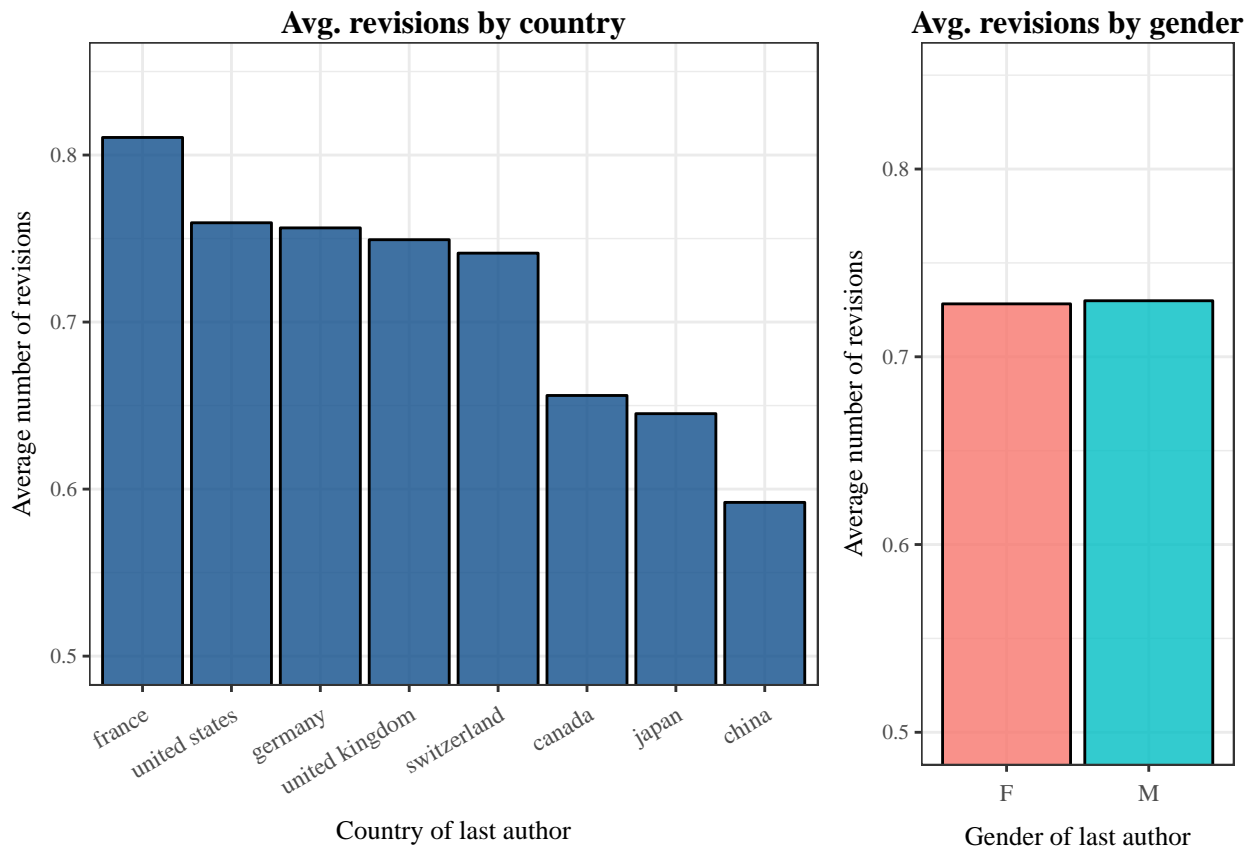
```

```

fig_SI.1.B <- elife %>%
  filter(full_decision_made & has_full_submission & la_gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  group_by(la_gender) %>%
  summarize(
    avg_revisions = mean(num_revisions)
  ) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = la_gender, y = avg_revisions, fill = la_gender)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  theme_dakota() +
  labs(x = "Gender of last author",
       y = "Average number of revisions",
       title = "Avg. revisions by gender") +
  guides(fill = FALSE) +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0.5, 0.85)) +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(size = 12, margin = margin(0, 0, 2, 0)))

fig_SI.1 <- grid.arrange(fig_SI.1.A, fig_SI.1.B, widths = 2:1)

```



fig_SI.1

```

## TableGrob (1 x 2) "arrange": 2 grobs
##   z      cells  name      grob
## 1 1 (1-1,1-1) arrange gtable[layout]
## 2 2 (1-1,2-2) arrange gtable[layout]

```



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI1.png", plot = fig_SI.1, height = 4, width = 7)
```

Figure SI.2

Figure SI.2. Proportion of initial submissions, encourage rate, overall accept rate, and accept rate of full submissions by the gender of the corresponding author, first author, and last author. Gender metadata is unavailable for first and last authors of initial submissions that were never submitted as full submissions, therefore these cells remain blank. Authors whose gender is unknown are excluded from analysis. Vertical error bars indicate 95th confidence intervals of the proportion of submitted, encouraged, and accepted initial and full submissions. Asterisks indicate significance level of X2 tests of independence of frequency of encourage and acceptance by gender; “*” = $p < 0.05$; “ns” = $p > 0.05$.

```
# First, test the encourage rate diffs
s <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made)
t <- table("ca_gender" = s$ca_gender, "encouraged" = s$encouraged)[1:2,]
ca_encouraged <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])

# Difference in acceptance rates by gender of corresponding author
s <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made & (!has_full_submission | full_decision_made))
t <- table("ca_gender" = s$ca_gender, "encouraged" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
ca_accepted <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])

# Difference in encourage-acceptance rates by gender of corresponding author
s <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made)
t <- table("ca_gender" = s$ca_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
ca_ea <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])

# Difference in encourage-acceptance rates by gender of first author
s <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made)
t <- table("fa_gender" = s$fa_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
fa_ea <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])

# Difference in encourage-acceptance rates by gender of last author
s <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made)
t <- table("la_gender" = s$la_gender, "accepted" = s$accepted)[1:2,]
la_ea <- chisq.test(t[, 1:2])

# Now we use the results of these tests to construct a table
measurements <- c(rep("submit_rate", 3), rep("encourage_rate", 3), rep("accept_rate", 3), rep("encourage_rate", 3))
author <- rep(c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"), 4)

sig <- c("N/A", "N/A", "N/A", # submit rates, all NA since we don't really compare this
        sig2ast(ca_encouraged$p.value), "N/A", "N/A", # encourage rate
        sig2ast(ca_accepted$p.value), "N/A", "N/A",
        sig2ast(ca_ea$p.value), sig2ast(fa_ea$p.value), sig2ast(la_ea$p.value)
        )
sig_df <- data.frame(measure_key = factor(measurements), author_key = factor(author), sig = sig)

# Now lets save these test results for later
sig_list <- list("Corresponding author enc. rate" = ca_encouraged,
                "Corresponding author acc. rate" = ca_accepted,
                "Corresponding author enc-acc rate" = ca_ea,
```

```

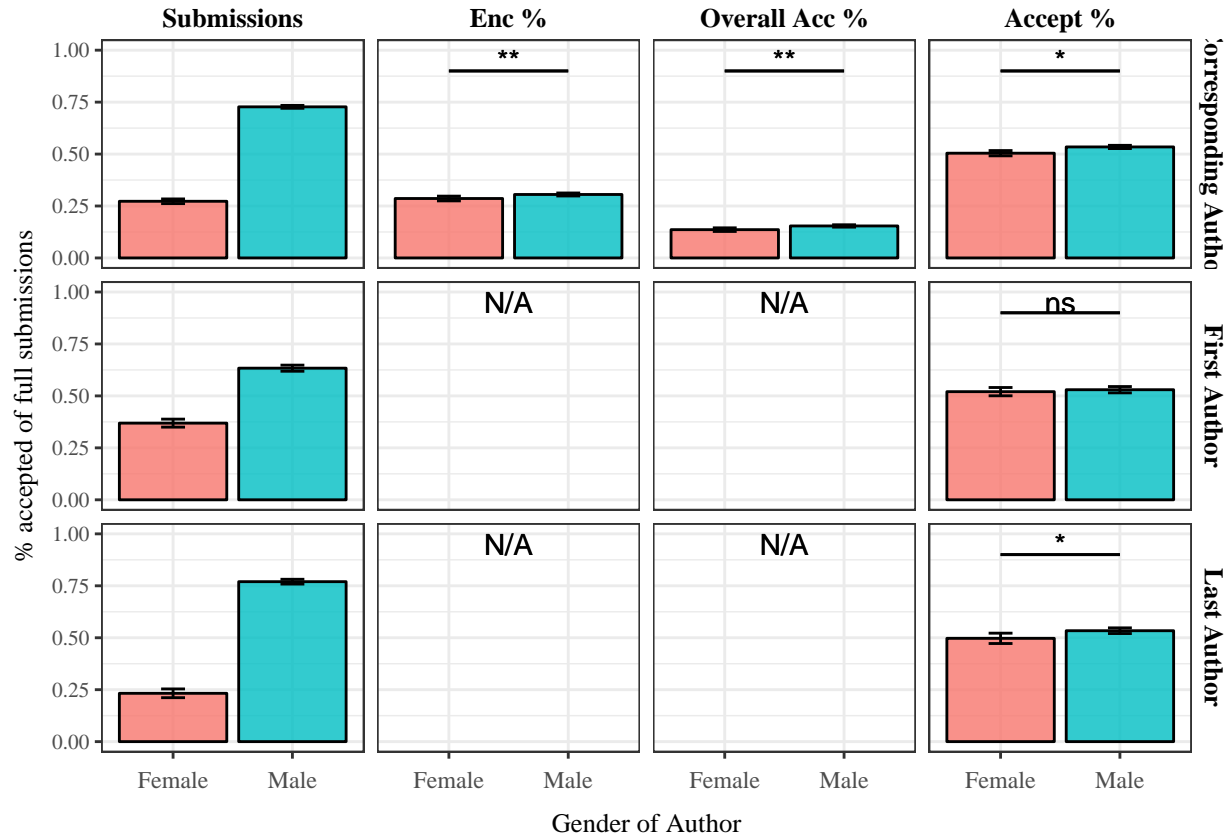
    "First author enc-acc rate" = fa_ea,
    "last author enc-acc rate" = la_ea)

fig_SI.2 <- elife %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made) %>%
  gather(author_key, value = gender, ca_gender, la_gender, fa_gender) %>%
  filter(gender %in% c('M', 'F')) %>%
  group_by(author_key) %>%
  mutate(
    # if not ocnsidering the corr. author, then the count is all full submissions, ie: for when a submi
    total_papers = ifelse(author_key == "ca_gender", n(), sum(has_full_submission))
  ) %>%
  group_by(author_key, gender) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE),
    encourage_rate = ifelse(author_key[1] == "ca_gender", encourage_count / n(), NA),
    # this accept rate is the number of accepted papers / number of initial + full submissions
    accept_rate = ifelse(author_key[1] == "ca_gender", accept_count / sum(!has_full_submission | fu
    submit_rate = n() / total_papers[1],
    # this is the number of accepted papers divided by all papers
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / sum(has_full_submission & full_decision_made, na.rm = T)
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  gather(measure_key, value = measurement, submit_rate, encourage_rate, accept_rate, encourage_accept_r
  left_join(sig_df, by = c("measure_key", "author_key")) %>%
  mutate(
    author_key = factor(author_key,
      levels = c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"),
      labels = c("ca_gender" = "Corresponding Author", "fa_gender" = "First Author",
    ),
    measure_key = factor(measure_key,
      labels = c("submit_rate" = "Submissions", "encourage_rate" = "Enc %", "accept_
      levels = c("submit_rate", "encourage_rate", "accept_rate", "encourage_accept_r
    gender = ifelse(gender == "F", "Female", "Male"),
    standard_error = 1.96 * sqrt( (measurement * (1 - measurement)) / paper_count),
    lower = measurement - standard_error,
    upper = measurement + standard_error
  ) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = gender, y = measurement, color = factor(gender), shape = factor(gender), fill = factor
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  #geom_text(aes(y = 0.08, label = paper_count), size = 2.5, color = "black") +
  #geom_text(aes(x = gender, y = 0.1, label = round(measurement, 3) * 100 ), color = "black") +
  #facet_grid(measure_key ~ author_key) +
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), width = 0.2, color = "black") +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1.5, y = 0.95, label = ifelse(measure_key == "Submissions", "", as.character(sig)))
  geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 2, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.90, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.
  facet_grid(author_key ~ measure_key) +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(0, 1)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  guides(fill = F) +

```

```
labs(
  x = "Gender of Author",
  y = "% accepted of full submissions"
)
```

fig_SI.2



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI2.png", plot = fig_SI.2, height = 4, width = 7)
```

Figure SI.3

Figure SI.3. Percentage of full submissions that were accepted, shown by the gender of the corresponding, first, and last author, and by the gender composition of the peer reviewers. Text at the base of each bar indicate the number full submissions within each category of reviewer team and authorship gender. Vertical error bars indicate 95th percentile confidence intervals of the proportion of accepted full submissions. Asterisks indicate significance level of X2 tests of independence on frequency of acceptance by gender of author given each team composition; “ns” indicates no observed statistical significance. “*” = $p < 0.05$; “ns” = $p > 0.05$.

```
sig_list <- list()
for(comp in c("All Men", "All Women", "Mixed", "Uncertain")) {
  for(gender_var in c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender")) {
    if (!is.na(comp)) {
      sub <- subset(elife, initial_decision_made & full_decision_made & composition == comp)[, c("accept", "gender")]
      t <- t(table(sub))[1:2,]
      test = chisq.test(t)
```

```

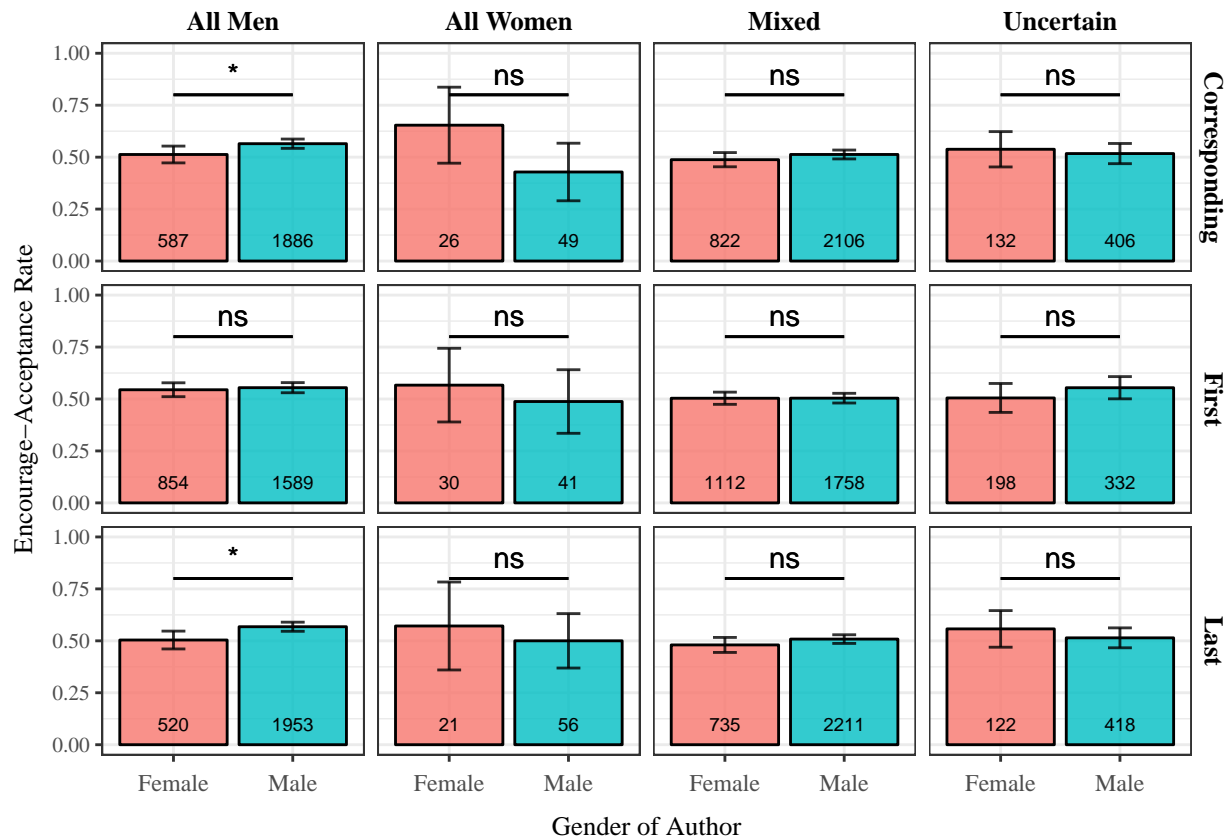
    test$n = dim(sub)[1]
    sig_list[length(sig_list) + 1] <- list(test)
  }
}
}

sig_df <- data.frame(composition = c(rep("All Men", 3), rep("All Women", 3), rep("Mixed", 3), rep("Uncer
    author_key = rep(c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"), 4),
    sig = sapply(sig_list, function(test) { sig2ast(test$p.value)})
)

fig_SI.3 <- elife %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made & full_decision_made & !is.na(composition)) %>%
  mutate(total_submissions = n()) %>%
  gather(author_key, value = gender, ca_gender, fa_gender, la_gender) %>%
  filter(gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  group_by(composition, author_key, gender) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE),
    acceptance_rate = sum(accepted == TRUE) / paper_count,
    standard_error = 1.96 * sqrt( (acceptance_rate * (1 - acceptance_rate)) / paper_count),
    lower = acceptance_rate - standard_error,
    upper = acceptance_rate + standard_error
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  left_join(sig_df, by = c("composition", "author_key")) %>%
  mutate(
    author_key = factor(author_key,
      levels = c("ca_gender", "fa_gender", "la_gender"),
      labels = c("ca_gender" = "Corresponding", "fa_gender" = "First", "la_gender" = "
    ,
    gender = ifelse(gender == "M", "Male", "Female")
  ) %>%
  # Start ggplot
  ggplot(aes(x = gender, y = acceptance_rate, fill = gender)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, color = "black") +
  geom_text(aes(y = 0.1, label = paper_count), size = 2.5, color = "black") +
  #geom_text(aes(y = 0.1, label = paste0(round(acceptance_rate, 3) * 100, "%")), size = 2.5, color = "b
  geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), width = 0.2, color = "black", alpha = 0.8) +
  geom_text(aes(x = 1.5, y = 0.90, label = sig), color = "black") +
  #geom_text(aes(x = gender, y = 0.1, label = round(acceptance_rate, 3) * 100 ), color = "black") +
  geom_segment(aes(x = 1, xend = 2, y = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.8, 1.1), yend = ifelse(sig != "N/A", 0.8
  facet_grid(author_key ~ composition) +
  ylim(0, 1) +
  theme_dakota() +
  guides(fill = F) +
  labs(y = "Encourage-Acceptance Rate",
    x = "Gender of Author"
  )
)

fig_SI.3

```



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI2.png", plot = fig_SI.2, height = 4, width = 7)
```

Figure SI.4

Figure SI.4 Top: proportion of all initial submissions, encouraged initial submissions, and accepted full submissions comprised by the national affiliation of the corresponding author for the top sixteen most prolific countries in terms of initial submissions. Bottom: acceptance rate of full submissions, encourage rate of full submissions, and overall accept rate of full submissions by national affiliation of the corresponding author for the top eight more prolific countries in terms of initial submissions. Error bars on bottom panel indicate standard error of proportion of encouraged initial submissions and accepted initial and full submissions for each country.

```
# Its easiest and most efficient to calculate these total values outside of the dplyr chain below
total_submissions <- length(unique(elif$MSNO))
total_full_submissions <- sum(!elif$full_decision_date_isNA, na.rm = T)
total_encouraged <- with(elif, sum(initial_decision_made & encouraged, na.rm = T))
total_accepted <- with(elif, sum(full_decision_made & accepted == T, na.rm = T))

# Firs the first plot, this one will show the proportion that each countrie constitutes the total number
p1 <- elif %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made & (full_decision_made | full_decision_date_isNA) & !is.na(ca_country)) %>%
  mutate(ca_country = factor(sapply(as.character(ca_country), simpleCap))) %>% # capitalize first letter
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
```

```

    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    full_submissions = sum(has_full_submission),
    prop_of_full = full_submissions / total_full_submissions,
    prop_of_initial = paper_count / total_submissions,
    prop_of_encouraged = encourage_count / total_encouraged,
    prop_of_accepted = accept_count / total_accepted
  ) %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  mutate(totals = sum(paper_count)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  top_n(16, totals) %>%
  gather(prop_key, value = prop, prop_of_initial, prop_of_full, prop_of_accepted) %>%
  mutate(prop_key = factor(prop_key,
                           levels = c("prop_of_initial", "prop_of_full", "prop_of_accepted"),
                           labels = c("prop_of_initial" = "Prop. of Initial Submissions",
                                       "prop_of_full" = "Prop. of Full Submissions",
                                       "prop_of_accepted" = "Prop. of Accepted Submissions")),
         ca_country = reorder(ca_country, paper_count))
  ) %>%
  # Start ggplot
  ggplot(aes(x = ca_country, y = prop)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", color = "black", alpha = 0.8, fill = "dodgerblue4", position = position_dodge()) +
  geom_text(aes(y = prop, label = paste0(round(prop, 3) * 100, "%")), size = 2.5, hjust = -0.2, family = "serif") +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1)) +
  facet_wrap(~prop_key, labeller = labeller(key = labels)) +
  theme_dakota() +
  coord_flip() +
  ylim(0, 0.7) +
  labs(y = "") +
  theme(
    strip.background = element_blank(),
    text = element_text(size = 10, family = "Times"),
    plot.title = element_text(size = 12),
    strip.text = element_text(face = "bold"),
    axis.title.y = element_blank()
  )

```

```

p2 <- elife %>%
  filter(initial_decision_made & (full_decision_made | full_decision_date_isNA) & !is.na(ca_country)) %>%
  mutate(ca_country = factor(sapply(as.character(ca_country), simpleCap))) %>% # capitalize first letter
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  summarize(
    paper_count = n(),
    accept_count = sum(accepted == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_count = sum(encouraged == TRUE, na.rm = T),
    encourage_rate = encourage_count / paper_count,
    accept_rate = accept_count / sum(!has_full_submission | full_decision_made, na.rm = T),
    encourage_accept_rate = accept_count / sum(has_full_submission & full_decision_made, na.rm = T)
  ) %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  mutate(totals = sum(paper_count)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%

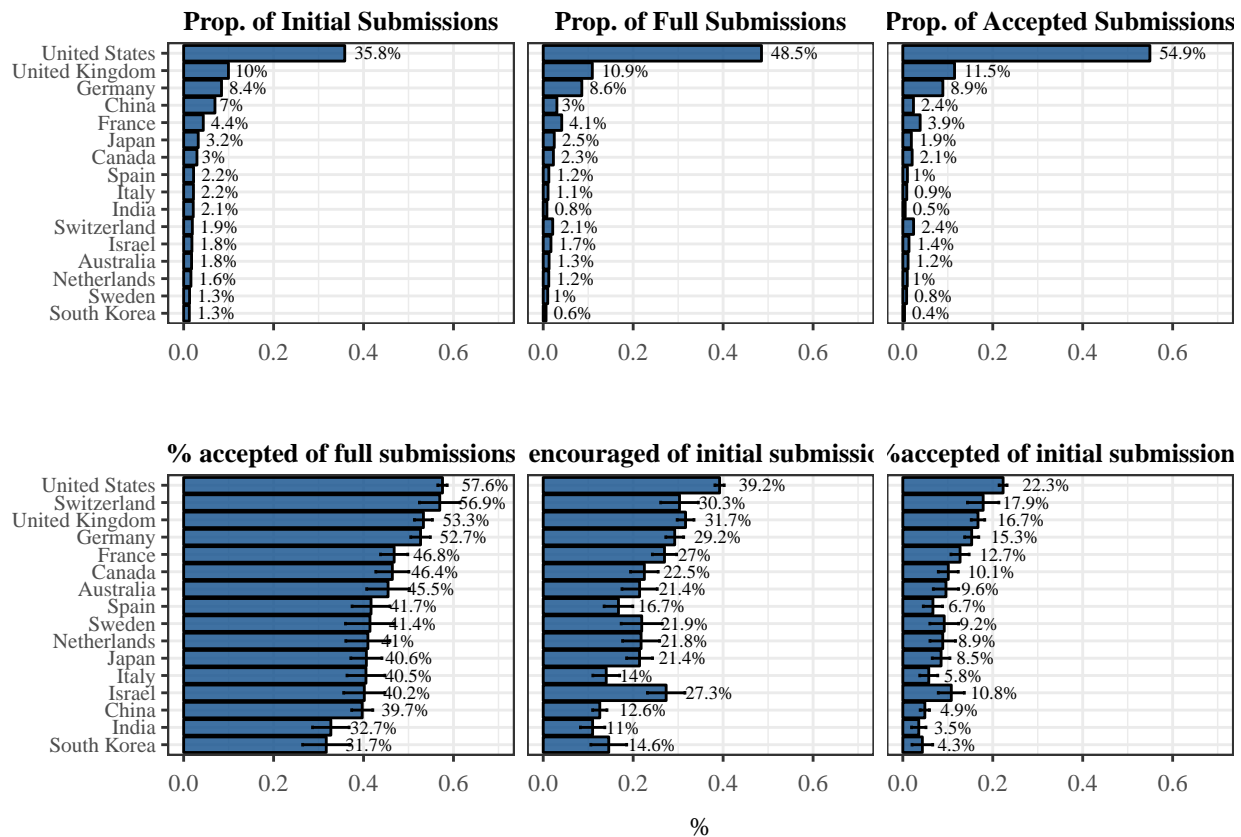
```

```

top_n(16, totals) %>%
mutate(
  ca_country = reorder(ca_country, encourage_accept_rate)
) %>%
gather(measure_key, value = measurement, encourage_rate, accept_rate, encourage_accept_rate) %>%
mutate(measure_key = factor(measure_key,
  levels = c("encourage_accept_rate", "encourage_rate", "accept_rate"),
  labels = c("encourage_accept_rate" = "% accepted of full submissions",
    "encourage_rate" = "% encouraged of initial submissions",
    "accept_rate" = "%accepted of initial submissions"
  )))
) %>%
group_by(measure_key) %>%
mutate(
  se = 1.96 * sqrt(measurement * (1 - measurement) / paper_count),
  lower = measurement - se,
  upper = measurement + se
) %>%
ggplot(aes(x = ca_country, y = measurement)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity", color = "black", fill = "dodgerblue4", alpha = 0.8) +
geom_text(aes(y = measurement, label = paste0(round(measurement, 3) * 100, "%")), size = 2.5, hjust =
geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = lower, ymax = upper), width = 0.2) +
facet_wrap(~measure_key, labeller = labeller(key = labels)) +
theme_dakota() +
labs(y = "%") +
coord_flip() +
ylim(0, 0.7) +
theme(
  axis.title.y = element_blank()
)
)

fig_SI.4 <- grid.arrange(p1, p2)

```



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI3.png", plot = fig_SI.3, height = 4, width = 7)
```

Figure SI.5

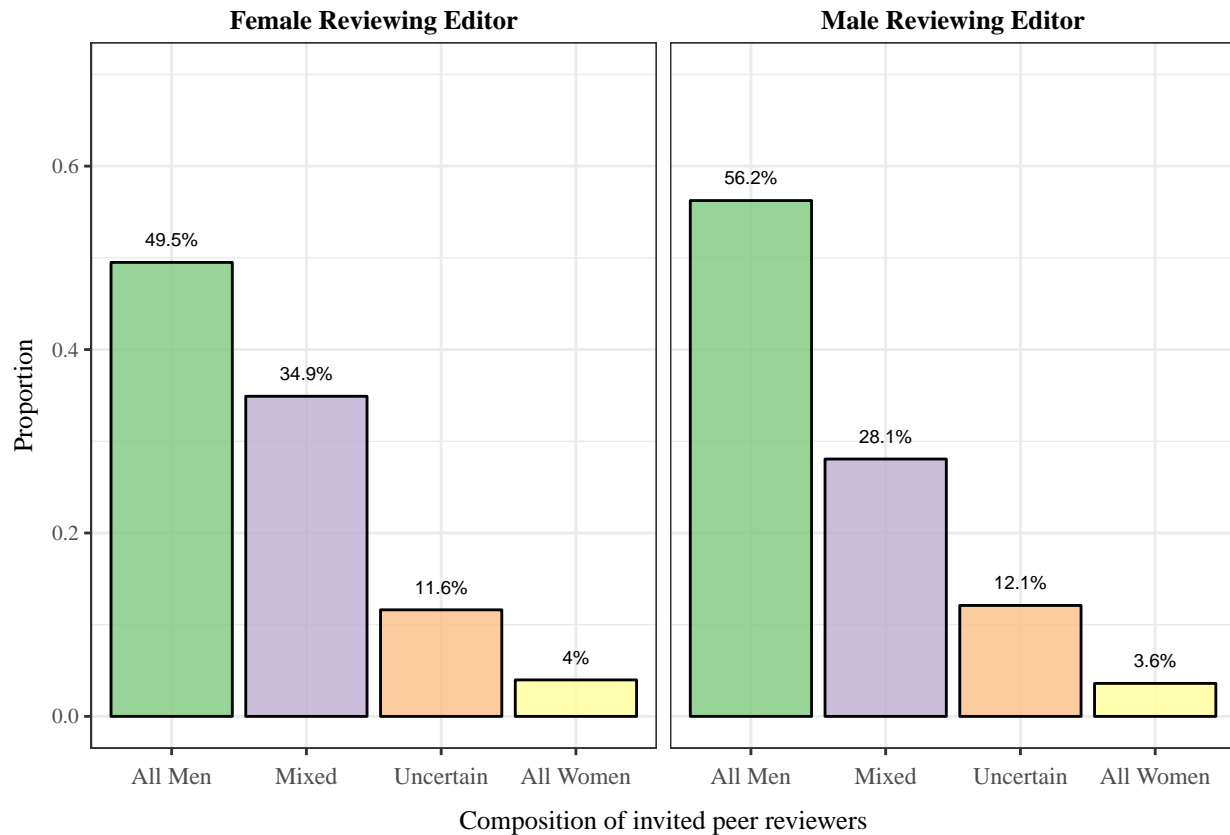
Figure SI.5. Proportion of peer reviewer team's gender compositions by gender of the reviewing editor. Compositions are determined while excluding the reviewing editor from team membership, if they are listed as a peer reviewer.

```
fig_SI.5 <- elife %>%
  filter(bre_gender %in% c("M", "F")) %>%
  mutate(
    bre_gender = ifelse(bre_gender == "M", "Male Reviewing Editor", "Female Reviewing Editor")
  ) %>%
  group_by(bre_gender) %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  group_by(composition_adj, bre_gender) %>%
  summarize(
    prop = n() / total[1]
  ) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  mutate(
    composition_adj = reorder(composition_adj, -prop)
  ) %>%
  #arrange(prop) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = composition_adj, y = prop, fill = composition_adj)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", color = "black", alpha = 0.8) +
  facet_wrap(~bre_gender) +
```



```
geom_text(aes(label = paste0(round(prop, 3) * 100, "%"), y = prop + 0.025), size = 2.5) +
theme_dakota() +
scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Accent") +
guides(fill = F) +
ylim(0, 0.7) +
labs(y = "Proportion",
     x = "Composition of invited peer reviewers"
    )
```

fig_SI.5



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI5.png", plot = fig_SI.5, height = 4, width = 7)
```

Figure SI.6

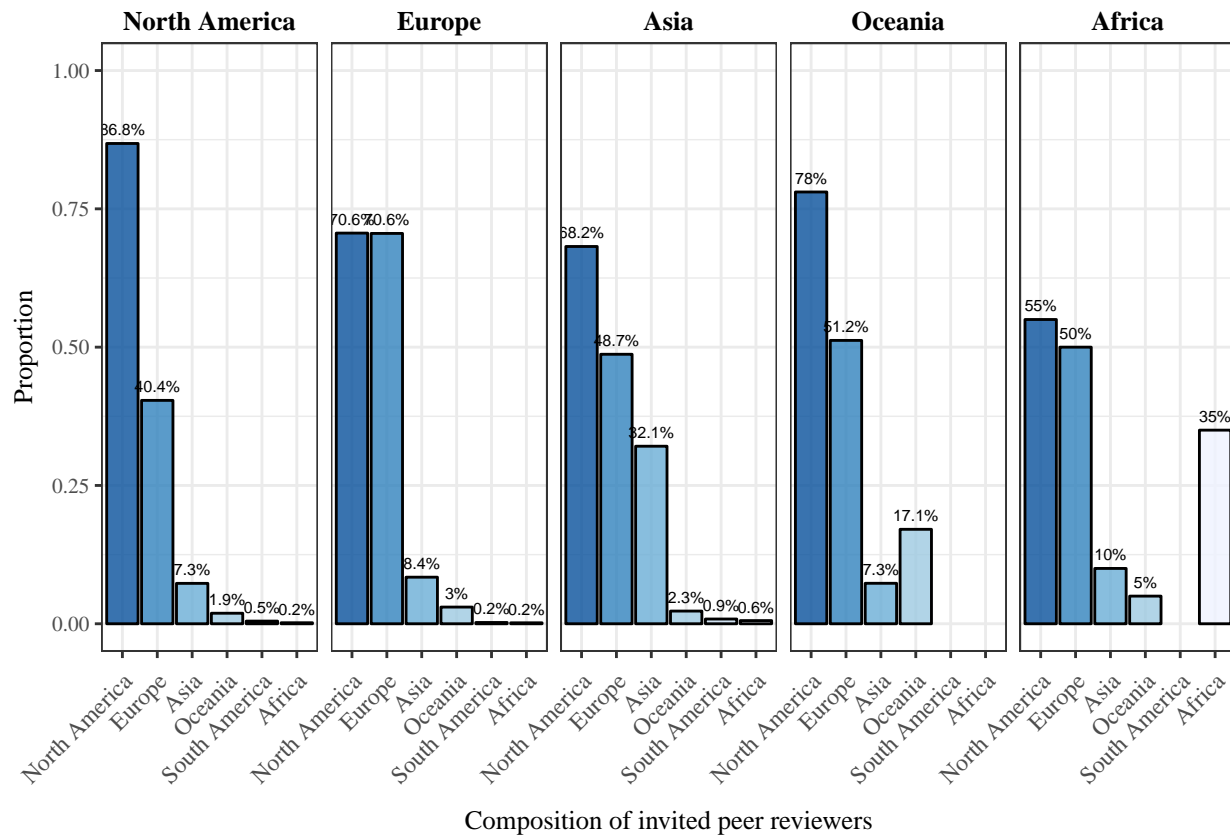
```
fig_SI.6 <- elife %>%
  filter(has_full_submission & full_decision_made & !is.na(bre_continent)) %>%
  group_by(MSNO) %>%
  mutate(
    num_africa = sum(na.omit(c(reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer4_
    contains_africa = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer & bre_continent == "Africa", num_africa > 1, num_africa > 0),
    num_asia = sum(na.omit(c(reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer4_c
    contains_asia = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer & bre_continent == "Asia", num_asia > 1, num_asia > 0),
    num_na = sum(na.omit(c(reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer4_con
    contains_na = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer & bre_continent == "North America", num_na > 1, num_na > 0),
```

```

num_eu = sum(na.omit(c(reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer4_con
contains_eu = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer & bre_continent == "Europe", num_eu > 1, num_eu > 0),
num_sa = sum(na.omit(c(reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer4_con
contains_sa = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer & bre_continent == "South America", num_sa > 1, num_sa > 0),
num_oceania = sum(na.omit(c(reviewer1_continent, reviewer2_continent, reviewer3_continent, reviewer
contains_oceania = ifelse(bre_is_reviewer & bre_continent == "Oceania", num_oceania > 1, num_oceani
) %>%
group_by(bre_continent) %>%
mutate(total = n()) %>%
gather(contains_key, contains, contains_africa, contains_asia, contains_na, contains_eu, contains_sa,
group_by(contains_key, contains, bre_continent) %>%
summarize(
  prop = n() / total[1]
) %>%
ungroup() %>%
mutate(
  bre_continent = factor(bre_continent, levels = c("North America", "Europe", "Asia", "Oceania", "Sou
contains_key = factor(contains_key,
                      levels = c("contains_na", "contains_eu", "contains_asia", "contains_oceania",
                      labels = c("contains_na" = "North America", "contains_eu" = "Europe",
                                "contains_asia" = "Asia", "contains_oceania" = "Oceania",
                                "contains_sa" = "South America", "contains_africa" = "Africa"))
) %>%
filter(contains == T) %>%
ggplot(aes(x = contains_key, y = prop, fill = contains_key)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity", color = "black", alpha = 0.8) +
facet_wrap(~bre_continent, ncol = 6) +
geom_text(aes(label = paste0(round(prop, 3) * 100, "%"), y = prop + 0.025), size = 2) +
theme_dakota() +
scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Blues", direction = -1) +
ylim(0, 1.0) +
guides(fill = F) +
theme(
  axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 1, hjust = 1)
) +
labs(y = "Proportion",
     x = "Composition of invited peer reviewers"
)

```

fig_SI.6



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI6.png", plot = fig_SI.6, height = 4, width = 7)
```

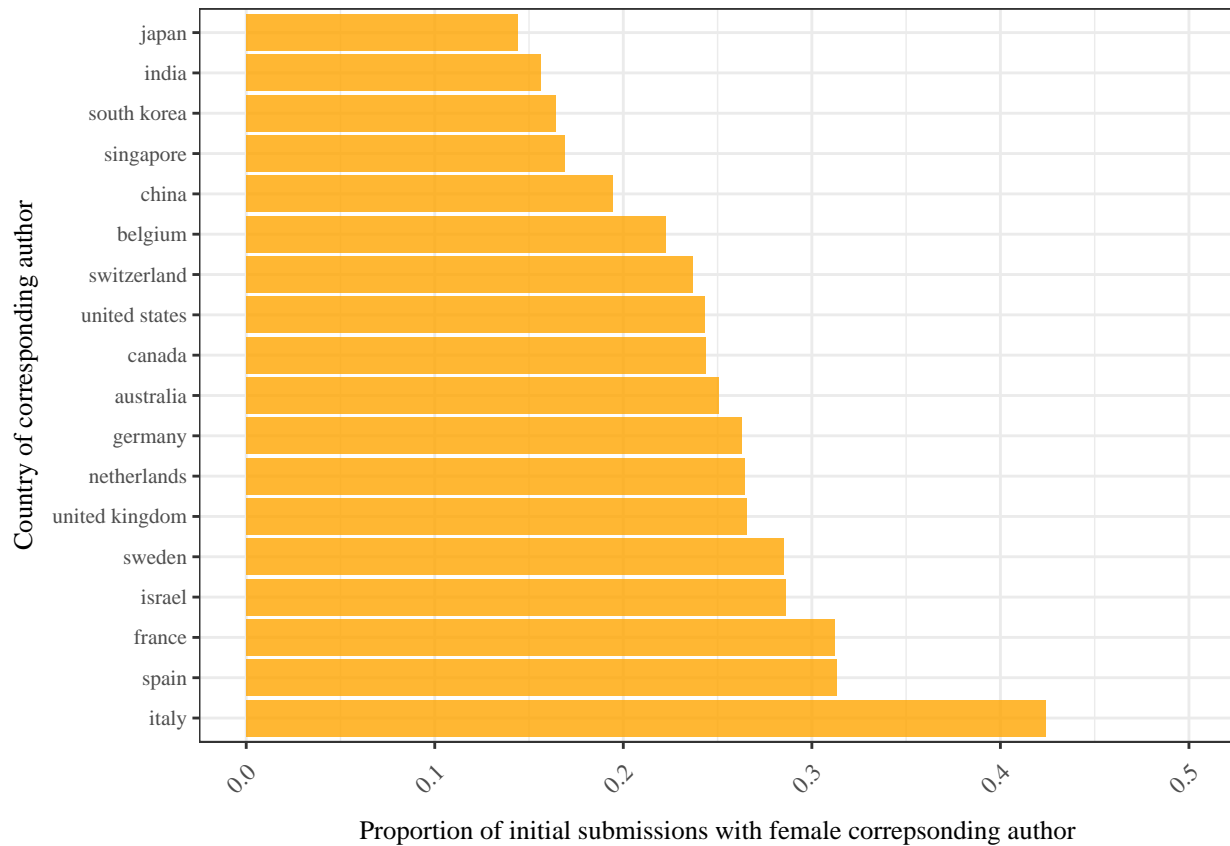
Figure SI.7

Figure SI.7. Proportion of initial submissions with a female corresponding author by the country of the corresponding author. Includes only countries with at least 200 initial submissions to eLife between 2012 and 2017.

```
fig_SI.7 <- elife %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  mutate(total = n()) %>%
  filter(total > 200) %>%
  filter(ca_gender == "F") %>%
  group_by(ca_country) %>%
  summarize(
    prop = n() / total[1]
  ) %>%
  #group_by(ca_gender) %>%
  mutate(
    ca_country = reorder(ca_country, -prop)
  ) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = ca_country, y = prop)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", alpha = 0.8, fill = "orange") +
  ylim(0, 0.5) +
  coord_flip() +
  theme_dakota() +
  theme(
```

```
axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, vjust = 1, hjust = 1)
) +
labs(x = "Country of corresponding author",
     y = "Proportion of initial submissions with female correponding author") +
scale_fill_discrete(labels = c("F" = "Female", "M" = "Male"))
```

fig_SI.7



```
ggsave("figures/supp/fig_SI7.png", plot = fig_SI.7, height = 4, width = 7)
```