

Racism & Reproductive Health: Paving a Path to Health Equity

Special Edition FAQs

1. Can I sign up to be a reviewer?
 - a. Yes! New reviewers are always welcome. Please fill out our reviewer form at <https://bit.ly/3Dxqzqe>. Be sure to pick from the new Equity classifications.
 - b. Current O&G reviewers may update their preferred classifications by logging into their Editorial Manager account.
2. Is there a preference for quantitative or qualitative analysis?
 - a. There is no preference for type of analysis. Quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods are welcome.
3. Are the Editors looking for submissions on global health, or are US-based submissions preferred?
 - a. Submissions from the United States and around the world are encouraged.
4. Will world limits be the same as regular submissions?
 - a. Yes. We do understand that inclusive and diverse methodologies and discussion may necessitate more space, and that will be considered if a revision is requested. For more information, view our Instructions for Authors at <https://bit.ly/3Fh25TB>.
5. Is the journal willing to consider studies with small populations?
 - a. Yes. Note that specific article types, such as the Research Letter, may fit better with smaller populations. The Editorial Office can advise what might work best. Please email us at obgyn@greenjournal.org.
6. How large will the issue be? What happens if too many submissions are accepted?
 - a. The Editors aim to select 20–25 articles for the issue. If there are too many articles for a single issue, the Steering Committee will determine the final line-up. Articles not selected for the special issue will be published in subsequent, regular issues of the journal.
7. Is the journal looking for personal stories?
 - a. Yes, storytelling is encouraged. We recommend using the Personal Perspectives article type (more information at <https://bit.ly/3Fh25TB>).
8. Are case studies or case series welcome?
 - a. Yes. The journal currently has two article types for the submission of case studies or case series. A Case Report is a brief description of up to five cases of a particular condition that reports an unusual case presentation or novel diagnostic or therapeutic approach. If you have more than 5 cases, please submit your case series as Original Research. Please note that the journal does require that authors obtain written consent for individuals discussed in these types of manuscripts.
9. Will submissions be double blinded? If so, how will that work with positionality statements?
 - a. Yes. The journal instituted double-blind peer review in July 2021. This means that reviewers do not know the identity or institution of the author(s) and vice versa. To ensure that submissions remain blinded, we ask that authors do not include their name or institution in their optional positionality statement.

10. Qualitative studies tend to be longer. Will these authors be penalized for going over word limits?
 - a. No. The journal does not eliminate submissions based on word count. If a revision is requested, the editor will work with the author to determine if anything should be moved to supplemental digital content.