How does peer review work at Open Research Europe?

Get to grips with our open, post-publication peer review model, so your research can move through this process quickly and easily.

Look out for the **steps in blue** as these are points in the process where you need to take action!

1. **Suggest five potential reviewers for your article**
   - Our Editorial team check your suggested reviewers meet our criteria

2. **Five reviewers are approved**
   - Your article is published!

   **Not passed peer review?**
   - The reviewer accepts the invitation
   - A deadline for the report is agreed
   - The peer review report is submitted to the Editorial team
   - Our Editorial team check the report, including ensuring it meets our Code of Conduct
   - The report is published openly alongside your article, along with the reviewer’s name and affiliation; your article title is updated to show its new peer review status
   - Your article ‘passes peer review’ when it reaches two Approved, or one Approved and two Approved with reservations (These must be from separate, independent peer review reports)
   - **Passed peer review!**
   - Your article is indexed in PubMed, Scopus, and more (along with its associated reviews)

   **Not passed peer review?**
   - Revise your article and resubmit as a new version

3. **You suggest more reviewers for your article**
   - Reviewer declines the invitation
   - Our Editorial team request more suggestions from you

4. **Our Editorial team check your suggested reviewers meet our criteria**
   - Our Editorial team invite your suggested reviewers to review your article
   - Our Editorial team check your suggested reviewers meet our criteria

5. **One or more of your five potential reviewers don’t meet our criteria**
   - Our Editorial team check your suggested reviewers meet our criteria
   - You suggest more reviewers for your article

6. **Your article is published**
   - The same experts who reviewed the previous version are invited to review the changes you have made
   - Your revised article is published on Open Research Europe

7. **Not passed peer review?**
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