

Editor Dashboards

The Editor Dashboard is the place where you can track all of the papers for which you are serving as the editor. You can find it by clicking either “Editor Center” in the top gray bar of the manuscript central site, or, if you have other roles within the system, by clicking “Manage” and choosing the “Editor Center” in the drop down.

Please note that as all sites have slight variations, you may not see every option that is listed in the screenshots below. Please choose the appropriate variation for your journal. If you need any assistance in finding a paper, please reach out to manuscripts@sciencesocieties.org with the paper’s manuscript id and any other relevant information.

Editor Lists

Dashboards are organized into different categories. The first category separates papers out according to where they are within the peer review process. For Editors, this will tell you things like whether or not the paper needs to have a TE or AE assigned, whether or not the AE checklist has been completed, whether it needs you to select and invite reviewers, where it is with reviewer invitations and reviews, and whether they are ready for recommendations or decisions. Please check all categories for action items or overdue papers on a regular basis.

The second two categories anything that is overdue, first for members of the review process, and secondly for authors. Please check these categories regularly to make sure that papers are moving efficiently through the system, as you may need to take action on these papers. Examples of actions you might not need to take on overdue papers include:

- Granting extensions to authors
- Sending reminder emails to authors, TEs, or AEs
- Assign a new TE or AE

Note: The overdue categories do not track anything that is overdue for you, the TE, or the AE, so please check all actionable categories regularly.

The final category is an overview of how many papers are in process. This category is most useful in seeing all of the papers you are handling at once, rather than having to click into each category.

Reports

This section of the Editor Dashboard includes access to all of the reports you can use. For more information on reports, please see our Reports page.

At-a-Glance Statistics

The At-A-Glance Statistics provide high level data about the journal, including days to decisions, reviewer assignment times, and reviewer turnaround times. Other stats include the accept ratio for the past 12 months, total pending manuscripts, and the oldest manuscript without a decision.

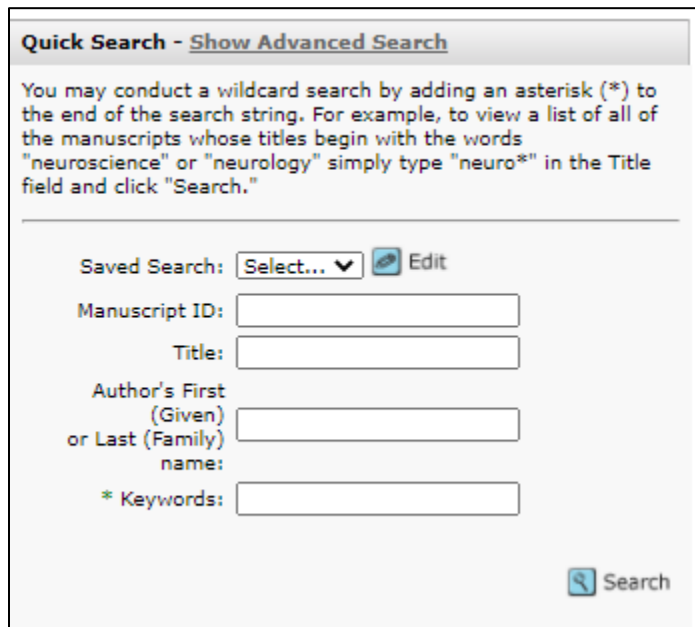
Please note however, that as many of these stats are based on Month to Date or Prior 12 Month timelines, using custom reports may be more useful in getting you the data you need. If you have any

questions about data reporting or are not able to retrieve the data you need, please let us know at manuscripts@sciencesocieties.org.

Searches

Quick Search

There are two kinds of searches you can utilize from your Editor Dashboard. The first is the Quick Search, which is the default view.



To use the Quick Search function, simply fill in however many search fields as you need and hit the blue magnifying “search” button.

Note: We recommend putting asterisks around your search terms to create wildcard searches, which can find the term you are searching for anywhere within that field. For example, searching on “*Morrison*” will return results for “Morrison,” “N. Morrison,” and “Abby Morrison. This is most useful when searching for a paper by manuscript, where searching on the last four numerical digits within asterisks (e.g. searching on “*1234*” on paper aj-2020-02-1234-a) will usually help you find the paper you need faster than typing out the whole id.

Advanced Search

The other kind of search is an advanced search, which you can open up by clicking the “Show Advanced Search” link. This will open a lot more search tools at the bottom of the page, including filters by custom questions.

Note: Search results are only applicable to the role type that is doing the search, so if you are serving as a TE or AE and run a search within your Editor dashboard, only papers for which you are serving as the Editor will be returned. Papers to which you are assigned as the TE or AE would need to be found via their respective dashboards.

Exporting Search Results

If you want a copy of the search results, please click the “Export to csv” button at the bottom of the search results. A new window will open with a link to download the file.