

Journal Selection Report

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Manuscript title	
Date	XXXXX
Author preferences	Keywords:
Comments on Adherence to Author Preferences	All recommended journals have regularly published articles on topics related to the authors' Area of Research / Idea

Journal Recommendations

Journal name	Comments
<p><i>BMC Psychiatry</i></p> <p><i>Publisher: Wiley</i></p>	<p>The Reason for the recommendation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>BMC Psychiatry</i> is an open-access, peer-reviewed journal that encompasses a wide range of topics, including psychopharmacology, psychotherapy, and psychosocial approaches to psychiatric disorders, as well as genetics, pathophysiology, and epidemiology research. The journal welcomes both basic and applied science articles, as well as research exploring innovative treatments, service delivery methods, and social psychiatry. It promotes the participation of service users, patient representatives, and advisors to ensure that their perspectives are represented. The journal published several articles on topics like authors' Area of Research / Idea, e.g., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Umucu, E., Solis, G.R., Campa, R. <i>et al.</i> Measuring neighbourhood climate and public stigma among veterans with mental illnesses. <i>BMC Psychiatry</i> (2026). https://doi.org/10.1186/s12888-026-08075-0 Mpingo, R.S., Samaje, W., Kalungi, A. <i>et al.</i> Cultural adaptation of the New Forest Parenting Program (NFPP) for ADHD in HIV-infected children in Uganda: a feasibility and pilot investigation. <i>BMC Psychiatry</i> (2026). https://doi.org/10.1186/s12888-026-08186-8

<p>Journal of Psychiatric Research</p> <p><i>Publisher:</i> Elsevier</p>	<p>The Reason for the recommendation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Journal of Psychiatric Research (founded 1961) publishes innovative studies in psychiatry, covering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical research on psychiatric illness and normal behaviour, including biochemical, genetic, social, and epidemiological factors. • Basic research in neuropsychopharmacology, neuroendocrinology, electrophysiology, genetics, experimental psychology, and epidemiology. • Application of laboratory techniques like brain imaging, spectroscopy, molecular biology, and computational methods. • Advances in research methodology, including translational "bench-to-bedside" studies. <p>The journal also features reviews, news, book notices, and letters, emphasising high-quality, timely publication.</p> 2. The journal published several articles on topics like authors' Area of Research / Idea, e.g., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meng, H., Yang, Y., Cui, Q., & Long, Z. (2026). Regional and network-level convergent structural effects of electroconvulsive therapy in depression: a neuroimaging meta-analysis. <i>Journal of Psychiatric Research</i>, 200, 1–9. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpsychires.2026.05.024 • Rasti, A. R., Betz, M. E., Finn, J., Boffa, J. W., Berkowitz, S., Flarity, K. M., Simonetti, J., & Stanley, I. H. (2026). PTSD symptoms and firearm storage practices among adults in the United States: Examining trauma history subgroups. <i>Journal of Psychiatric Research</i>, 200, 20–25. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpsychires.2026.05.023
<p><i>Depression and Anxiety</i></p> <p><i>Publisher:</i> Wiley</p>	<p>The Reason for the recommendation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Depression and Anxiety</i> is an open access journal serving as a global catalyst for meaningful change in mental health. We publish high-impact, novel research that explores mood and anxiety disorders through an inclusive, interdisciplinary lens. Recognizing that well-being is shaped by complex social, political, and environmental forces, we bridge foundational sciences such as neurobiology and pharmacology with real-world challenges. Our mission is to foster a diverse, international community of researchers, clinicians, and individuals with lived experience to advance the understanding and treatment of these critical conditions. 2. The journal published several articles on topics like authors' Area of Research / Idea, e.g., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yücesoy, Hüsne, Yildirim, Fatma, Arar, Mevlüde Alpaslan, Erbil, Nülüfer, The Relationship Between Anxiety, Stress,

	<p>Depression, Traumatic Childbirth Perception, and Prenatal Attachment in Pregnant Women: A Cross-Sectional Study, <i>Depression and Anxiety</i>, 2026, 5941464, 9 pages, 2026. https://doi.org/10.1155/da/5941464</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Endalew, Helen Lamesgin, Bazezew, Astewil Moges, Alemu, Eniyew Assimie, Mekonen, Enyew Getaneh, Mengistie, Berihun Agegn, Zeleke, Gebreyesus Abera, Ayele, Desalegn Getachew, Yirsaw, Amlaku Nigusie, Aragaw, Getie Mihret, Abuhay, Alemken Eyayu, Anteneh, Degsew Ewunetie, Lakew, Gebeyehu, <i>Depression and Anxiety Among Women in Lesotho: A Multilevel Analysis of the 2023–2024 LSDHS</i>, <i>Depression and Anxiety</i>, 2026, 1572451, 13 pages, 2026. https://doi.org/10.1155/da/1572451
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Journal Comparator

Key Parameters		<i>BMC Psychiatry</i>	<i>Journal of Psychiatric Research</i>	<i>Depression and Anxiety</i>
Publisher		BioMed Central	Elsevier	Wiley
Similar research published		Yes	Yes	Yes
Indexing database		MEDLINE / PubMed, Scopus, and Clarivate's Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE).	Scopus, Medline / PubMed, the Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI), and the Science Citation Index Expanded (SCIE).	biomedical literature indexes
Impact factor		3.6	3.2	3.3
Review duration		4 to 5 months	105 days (roughly 3.5 months)	2 to 4 weeks
Publication type		peer-reviewed, open-access scientific and medical journal	peer-reviewed journal/periodical	Original Research Papers and Review Articles.
Rejection rate		(50 - 60%)	85% to 90%	NA
Acceptance rate		30% and 50%.	15% to 20%.	40% to 50%
Article processing charges		\$3,390 USD / €2,990 EUR / £2,590 GBP	\$3,440 USD (excluding taxes)	\$2,860 USD / £2,110 GBP / €2,480 EUR
Limit	Word count	5,000 words. Maximum of 350 words	4,000 words	4,500 to 6,000 words
	Figure/Tables	No strict upper limit.	Limit reasonably	5 to 10
	References	No limited	No limited	20 References

Supporting Information - Rationale for Inclusion and Scope

<i>BMC Psychiatry</i>	
Rationale for inclusion	BMC Psychiatry was included because it published peer-reviewed research on mental health disorders, psychiatric interventions, and evidence-based treatments relevant to depression and anxiety disorders.
Scope	The journal covers clinical psychiatry, mental health research, psychological interventions, epidemiology, neuroscience, and treatment approaches for psychiatric disorders across diverse populations.

Journal of Psychiatric Research	
Rationale for inclusion	Included because it publishes high-quality research on psychiatric disorders, clinical treatments, neuroscience, and mental health interventions relevant to depression and anxiety.
Scope	Covers clinical psychiatry, neuropsychopharmacology, behavioral science, epidemiology, brain imaging, genetics, and psychiatric treatment research.

<i>Depression and Anxiety</i>	
Rationale for inclusion	Included due to its strong focus on mood disorders, anxiety disorders, and evidence-based psychological and pharmacological treatments.
Scope	Publishes research on depression, anxiety disorders, stress-related conditions, psychotherapy, pharmacotherapy, prevention, and mental health outcomes.

Appendix: Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Why was BMC Psychiatry included?**

BMC Psychiatry publishes peer-reviewed research on mental health disorders, psychiatric interventions, and evidence-based treatments relevant to depression and anxiety. It is open-access and includes studies across clinical, genetic, epidemiological, and psychosocial aspects of psychiatry.
- 2. What is the scope of BMC Psychiatry?**

It covers clinical psychiatry, psychological interventions, epidemiology, neuroscience, and treatment approaches for psychiatric disorders across diverse populations.
- 3. Why was the Journal of Psychiatric Research included?**

It publishes high-quality research on psychiatric disorders, clinical treatments, neuroscience, and mental health interventions. It is suitable for research on depression, anxiety, and innovative psychiatric treatments.

4. What is the scope of the Journal of Psychiatric Research?

It includes clinical psychiatry, neuropsychopharmacology, behavioural science, epidemiology, brain imaging, genetics, and psychiatric treatment research.

5. Why were depression and Anxiety included?

The journal focuses on mood and anxiety disorders and evidence-based psychological and pharmacological treatments. It bridges foundational sciences with real-world mental health challenges.

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