

Submission Guidelines

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Submission Procedure

- Prepare manuscript files according to the submission guidelines below.
- Email all submission files (including any supplementary materials) to submissions@thurj.org

Eligibility

- Primary author must be a Harvard College undergraduate.
- Submitted manuscript concerns original research.
- Submitted manuscript cannot be published or undergoing review in another undergraduate research journal.
- Primary author must be willing to work with THURJ editors in revising the submission if it is selected or seriously considered for publication.
- Author(s) must consent to publication by submitting a Publication Consent Form.

Manuscript Preparation Formatting

- Submission may not exceed **30 pages**, including all figures/tables and references. If additional space is needed, please prepare a Supplementary Materials document containing additional accompanying text, figures, and tables.
- Manuscript should be double spaced with 12 point font and standard margins.
- Manuscript should be submitted in Word format, or LaTeX if appropriate.
- Writing should be clear, logical, and free from typographical or grammatical errors.

Structure and Style

- Appropriate structure of submissions will vary depending on the research field. The manuscript should be of similar style and structure to that of typical articles published in professional journals.
- In general, your submission might include sections for an Abstract, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, References, and Figures/Tables.
- Supplementary Materials may be submitted along with manuscript.

Figures and Tables

- Figures should be included at the end of the main text or in the Supplementary Information document, if needed.
- All figures must be appropriately referenced and include legends in text format.
- Tables should be submitted in text format.

- For plots and graphs, axes should be clearly marked and legible. Figures should be clearly labeled if applicable.
- If a manuscript is selected or seriously considered for publication, the editorial staff will request for high resolution figures.

References

- Citations should be parenthetical (Author, Year) and embedded within the main text.
- References should be formatted as follows: Authors (Year). Title. Journal/Book. Volume, Page Numbers.
- Example:
 - Noctor, S.C., Martinez-Cerdeno, V., Ivic, L., and Kriegstein, A.R. (2004). Cortical neurons arise in symmetric and asymmetric division zones and migrate through specific phases. *Nature Neuroscience* 7, 136–144.