

Nuclear Medicine and Biology Journal Club:

Opportunity for Graduate Students, Postdocs, and Early Career Scientists

Nuclear Medicine and Biology (NMB) is the official journal of the **Society of the Radiopharmaceutical Sciences** (SRS). This journal club is a collaborative effort of the NMB Editorial Board, the SRS Board, and the SRS Think Tank Committee (SRS-TT). The purpose of this journal club is:

- (1) to strengthen the bond and increase the interactions between NMB and SRS
- (2) to promote the involvement of students, postdocs, and early career scientist on topics relevant to the radiopharmaceutical sciences and
- (3) to develop a mentorship platform connecting early career scientists and an experienced field expert.

The NMB journal club is intended to increase collaboration between early career and experienced scientists as well as promote the early career scientist by publishing paired review articles. Accepted review articles will be published as a freely available paper.

Eligibility Guidelines

Individual and two-person submissions are accepted, but **both authors** must be graduate students, postdocs, and/or early career scientists (≤ 5 years post-graduation). For student and postdoctoral authors, their primary advisor may elect to participate and be included on the review. The lead/submitting author must be a **member of the SRS**.

Authors may only publish one journal club submission in a 12-month period.

How to Submit a Proposed Review Article

Early career authors are asked to submit the title and the abstract (80 - 300 words) defining the scope of the review to: **journalclub@srsweb.org**. Reference(s) for NMB article(s) from the preceding two years should be included with the topic submission to illustrate the relevance to the journal.

- (A) The author should also include the name of an experienced subject matter expert to co-author the review. The author needs to have contacted the expert and have proof (letter or email) demonstrating agreeance to co-author the review. The expert should not be the current or a previous mentor.

OR

- (B) If the author has not included the name of an expert or directly indicates they need assistance, the NMB editorial board or SRS-TT members may suggest an expert and help to establish contact between the young scientist and the expert.

The SRS-TT committee will either approve the topic, suggest related topic, or reject the topic. Only approved abstracts are invited to submit the review article for publication. Once a topic is approved, guidelines will be provided to the early career scientist as far as submission deadlines and any special requirements for the review.

In general, review articles will follow the standard NMB publication guidelines. There is no set maximum for these article types but 10-15 page as published in the journal is desirable. General guidelines regarding style, figures, and reference formats follow the standard Author Information the *Nuclear Medicine and Biology*. <http://www.nucmedbio.com/content/authorinfo>

Review Process for Accepted Review Articles

Review articles will be peer-reviewed by the normal NMB peer-review process. This journal operates a single blind review process. The Editor is responsible for the final decision regarding acceptance or rejection of the review articles.

Authors of Journal Club submissions are subject to the same guidelines concerning conflict of interest.