

Global Virology Reports: A new platform for advancing virology research

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Introduction

Virology is a rapidly evolving discipline at the intersection of fundamental biology, medicine, public health, and technological innovation. Viral emergence and re-emergence, genomic evolution, persistent infections, antiviral resistance, virus-associated cancers, zoonotic transmission, and the continuing development of novel diagnostic, preventive, and therapeutic approaches demonstrate the breadth and global importance of contemporary virology.

It is in this context that *Global Virology Reports* (GVR) is launched. Published by IAA Academic Arena Limited, GVR is a fully open-access international journal established to provide a platform for the dissemination of rigorous, relevant, and scientifically sound research across the field of virology.

The decision to establish a new journal carries an important responsibility: to provide genuine value to the scientific community. GVR is therefore founded not simply to create another outlet for publication, but to contribute to a scholarly environment in which scientifically robust research can be communicated openly, evaluated critically, and accessed by researchers worldwide.

Our scope

GVR embraces the breadth of contemporary virology. The journal welcomes original research, systematic reviews and meta-analyses, methodological studies, short communications, and other scholarly contributions addressing important questions in virology.

Areas of interest include viral epidemiology and surveillance; molecular and cellular virology; viral pathogenesis; virus–host interactions; viral genomics and evolution; emerging and re-emerging viral infections; zoonotic and One Health virology; antiviral discovery and development; vaccines and immunology; diagnostic technologies; structural and computational virology; viral oncology; and clinical and translational virology.

We recognize that advances in virology increasingly arise from interdisciplinary approaches. Accordingly, GVR welcomes research integrating virology with molecular biology, immunology, bioinformatics, structural biology, epidemiology, computational science, oncology, and clinical medicine.

Scientific quality and integrity

Scientific credibility is the foundation upon which a journal must be built. GVR will seek to maintain rigorous and transparent editorial and peer-review processes, with editorial decisions guided by the scientific quality, methodological soundness, originality, and relevance of submitted work.

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We also recognize the importance of responsible peer review. Reviewers and editors will be expected to maintain confidentiality, declare relevant conflicts of interest, and provide constructive assessments that assist authors while protecting the integrity of the scientific record.

Open and global

Open access is central to the GVR vision. Research should be available to the scientific community irrespective of institutional subscription barriers or geographical location. This is particularly important in virology, where viral threats and their consequences transcend national boundaries.

GVR therefore seeks to encourage contributions from researchers across regions and research environments, including settings that remain underrepresented in international scientific publishing. Global participation, however, must be accompanied by consistent scientific standards. Our commitment is to pursue both accessibility and rigor.

Looking ahead

The launch of GVR is the beginning of a long-term endeavour. Its reputation will ultimately depend not on its name or aspirations, but on the quality of the research it publishes, the integrity of its editorial processes, and the trust of the scientific community.

We invite researchers to contribute to this endeavour as authors, reviewers, editors, and guest editors. Through these collective contributions, we hope to develop GVR into a credible and useful forum for communicating advances in virology and for connecting discoveries across disciplines and geographical boundaries.

On behalf of the editorial team and publisher, I welcome you to *Global Virology Reports*. We look forward to building the journal together with the international virology community.

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