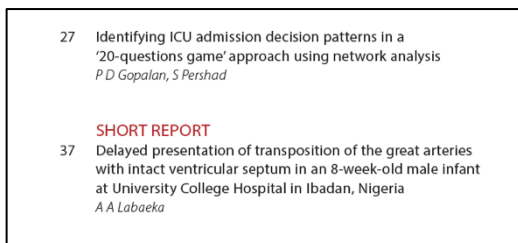


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- Huge **thanks** are due to Petra Brysiewicz and Kim de Vasconcellos for their hard work as sub-editors as well as our dedicated pool of reviewers and EB
- 2021 editions of SAJCC are **published online only**
- We have increased to **three editions per annum**, owing to increased submission rates and turnaround times. There is now much less backlog.
- We submitted an application for **PubMed central (PMC) accreditation** in May 2021 – expecting a usual 16 week timeframe, we should expect feedback next month.
 - If the application passes the scientific review, it goes through a technical review which should take another 6 weeks for the coder to prepare the files and submit. They usually feedback within a couple weeks of receiving the files, and then another couple of weeks to finalise the agreement etc.
 - If successful, we could have issues up by the end of the year/early 2022. ****A big advantage is that PMC articles are accessible/searchable on PubMed so will increase the visibility of the journal and articles.**
 - CCSSA Council agreed to increase Journal budget to enable XML conversion, which is a requirement for PMC accreditation.

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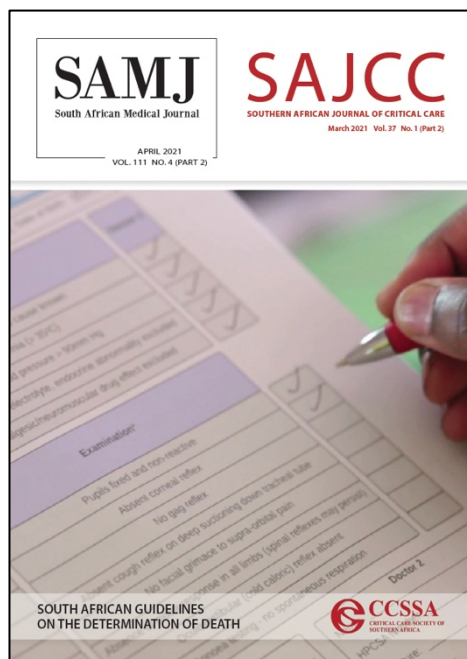
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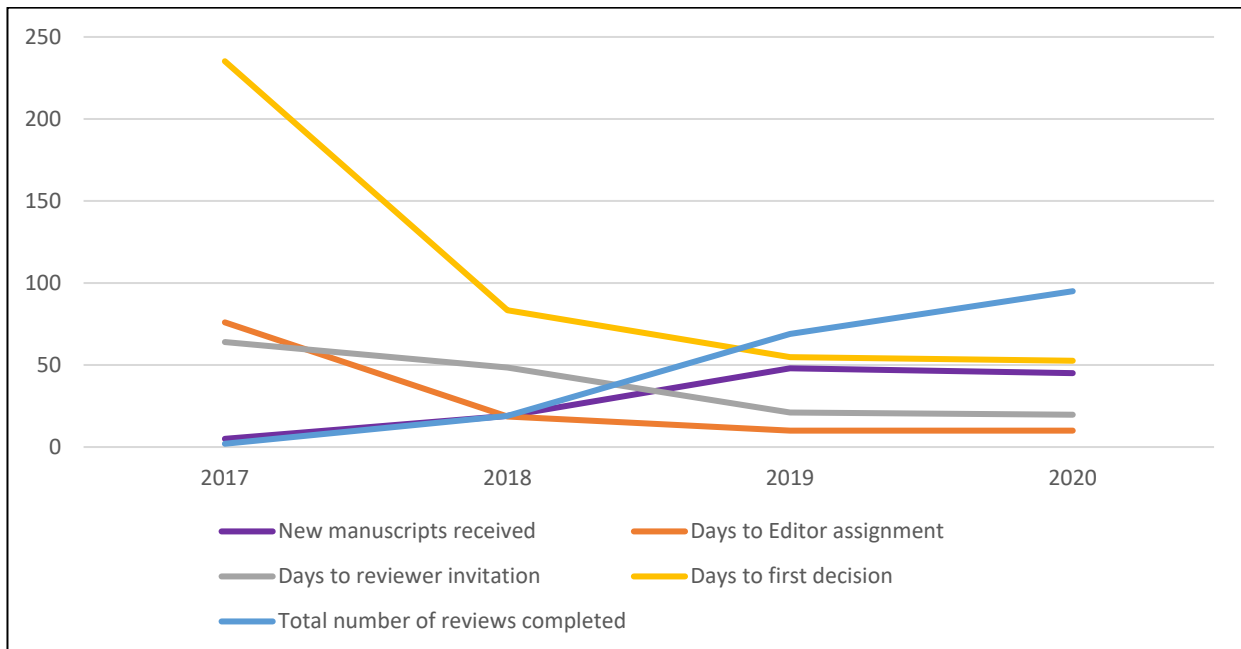
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SAJCC ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

Article submission rate and turnover times 2017 – Oct 2020

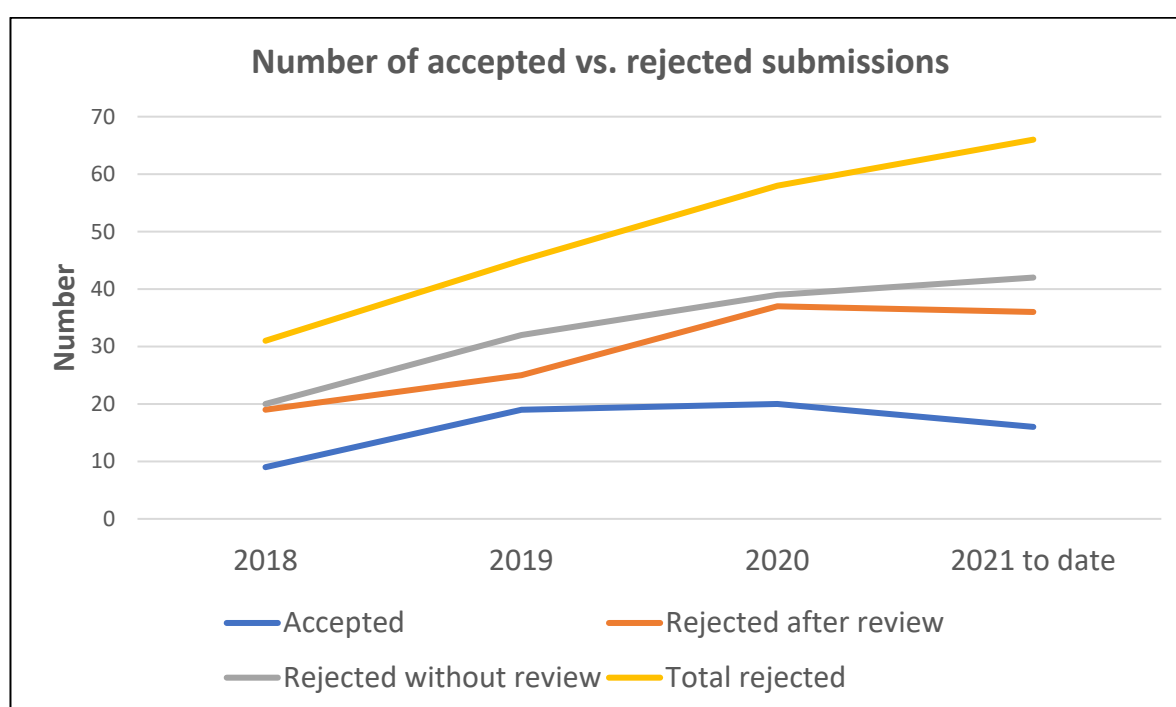
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 to date
New manuscripts received	5	19	48	45	37
Days to Editor assignment	76	18,6	10	10	8.3
Days to reviewer invitation	64	48,5	21	19,7	21
Days to first decision	235,2	83,4	54,8	52,6	43,9
Total number of reviews completed	2	19	69	95	65



Total Reviewers Invited <i>Total number of Reviewers invited during the specified time period. Includes Reviewers who may have been subsequently terminated or un-invited.</i>	78
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Summary of articles accepted/rejected

- Increasing rejection rate appropriate for improved scientific standing



Article submissions according to country of origin.

- Majority from South Africa
- Some international contributions but quality mostly poor, with majority rejected especially in 2020.

Country of origin	Accept 2019	Accept 2020	Accept 2021	Reject 2019	Reject 2020	Reject 2021	In process 2021
Botswana	1						
China							2
Colombia							
Egypt				1	2	2	
Ethiopia						1	
Hong Kong	1						
India							1
Indonesia				1	1	1	1
Iran				3	1	4	1
Italy				1			
Kenya							
Morocco		1					
Nigeria				1	1	1	
Pakistan						1	
Palestinian Territory				1			
Poland					1		
Saudi Arabia	1			1	2		
SOUTH AFRICA	21	10	11	5	5	4	5
Tunisia							1
Turkey				1		2	
UAE				1			
Uganda	1				1		
UK	1					1	
USA		1					1

