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Key metrics

- 2024 Impact Factor 3.6
- Five-year Impact Factor: 4.6
- Two-year citation median: 2
- Eigenfactor score: 0.02931
- Article Influence Score: 1.979
- Immediacy Index: 1.0
- h-index: 369
- Scopus Citescore: 5.7
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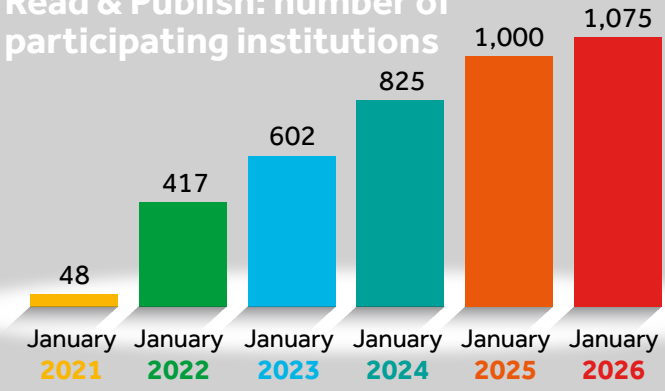

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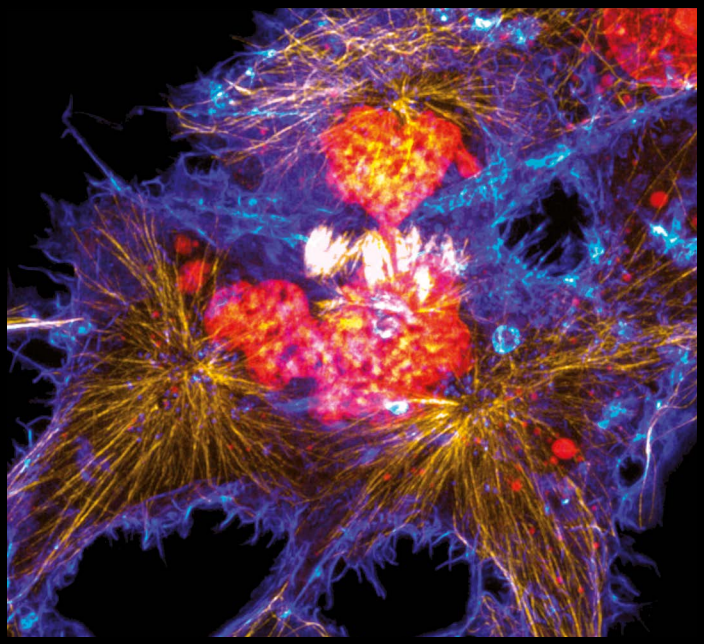

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Topics covered range from cell signalling, cell migration, cell adhesion, cell division and cell polarity, through to cancer cell biology, immunology, biochemistry and mechanobiology.

In addition to primary research articles, Journal of Cell Science publishes a range of commissioned review-based articles. These articles synthesise the latest advances in the field, put forward new hypotheses to provoke debate and inspire new research directions, and inform newcomers to the field.

Readership

Journal of Cell Science is read by a broad spectrum of scientists at all levels, including cell biologists, developmental biologists, molecular biologists, plant biologists and neuroscientists.

Abstracting and indexing services

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Key metrics

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- Five-year Impact Factor: 3.8
- Article citation median: 2
- Eigenfactor score: 0.02018
- Article Influence Score: 1.488
- Cited half-life: 13.0
- Immediacy Index: 1.1
- h-index: 319
- Scopus CiteScore: 6.5
- SJR indicator: 1.479
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>
> **Professor Martin Lowe**, University of Manchester, UK

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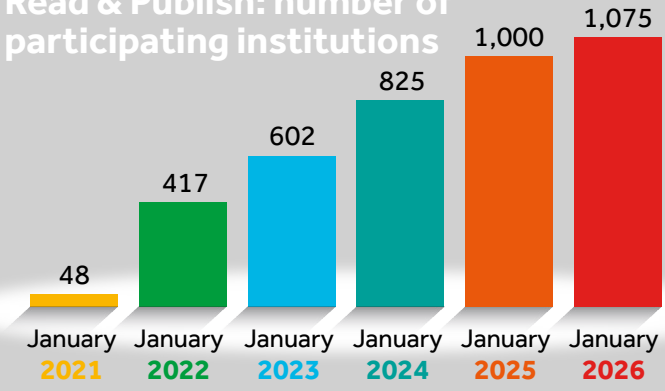

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Topic coverage ranges from biochemical physiology to biomechanics, from cardiovascular and respiratory physiology to conservation physiology, from endocrinology to ecological and evolutionary physiology, and from neurobiology to neuroethology and sensory physiology.

In addition to primary research articles, Journal of Experimental Biology publishes a range of commissioned review-based articles. These synthesise the latest advances in the field, put forward new hypotheses to provoke debate and inspire new research directions, and inform newcomers to the field.

Readership

Journal of Experimental Biology is read by an interdisciplinary group of scientists who study comparative biomechanics and molecular, cellular and organismal physiology in an evolutionary and environmental context including systemic, cellular and molecular physiologists, neuroscientists, ecophysiologists, biomechanists and biochemists.

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Key metrics

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- Five-year Impact Factor: 2.7
- Rank by Impact Factor: Q1 Zoology (12/181)
- Article citation median: 2
- Eigenfactor score: 0.01419
- Article influence score: 0.836
- Cited half-life: 13.9
- Immediacy Index: 1.1
- h-index: 221
- Scopus CiteScore: 5.3
- SJR indicator: 0.931
- SNIP: 1.002

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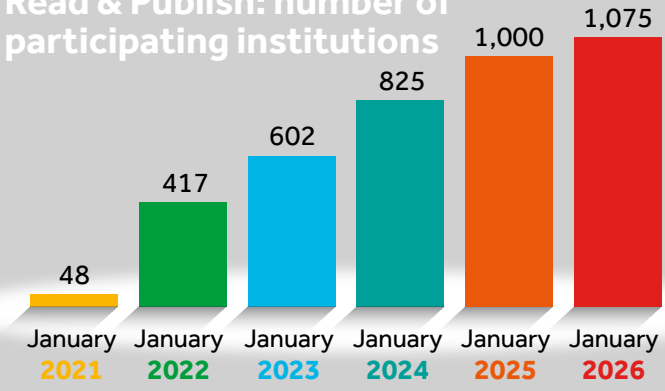

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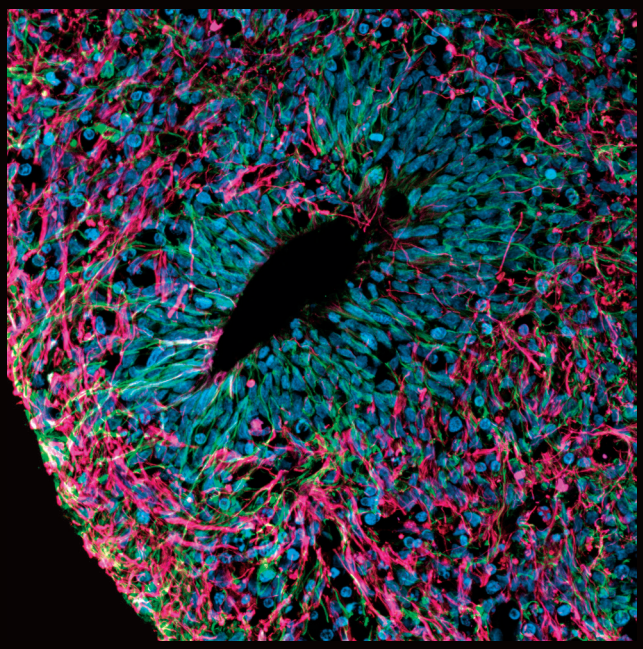

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Readership

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Key metrics

- 2024 Impact Factor: 3.3
- Five-year Impact Factor: 3.9
- Article citation median: 2
- Eigenfactor score: 0.00703
- Article Influence Score: 1.243
- Cited half-life: 7.5
- Immediacy Index: 1.0
- h-index: 113
- Scopus CiteScore: 6.5
- SJR indicator: 1.318
- SNIP: 0.865

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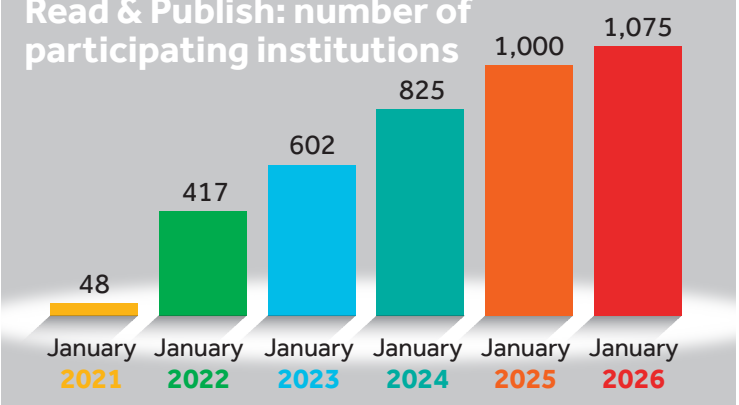

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Key metrics

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- Five-year Impact Factor: 1.9
- Article citation median: 1
- Eigenfactor score: 0.00362
- Article Influence Score: 0.612
- Cited half-life: 6.8
- Immediacy index: 0.6
- h-index: 61
- Scopus CiteScore: 3.2
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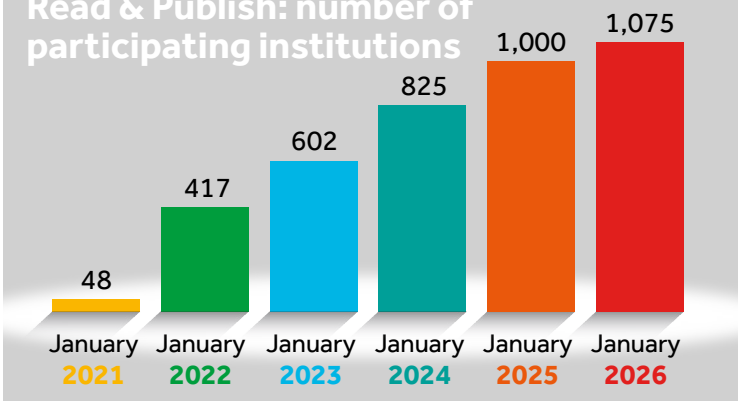

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