

Minutes
Board meeting 23
BioEM

November 13, 2023
06:00 pm – 08:00 pm (CEST)
Online meeting

In attendance:

- Luc Martens (LM)
- Florence Poulletier (FPoulletier)
- Niels Kuster (NK)
- Olga Zeni (OZ)
- Rich Nuccitelli (RN)
- Frank Prato (FPrato)
- Wout Joseph (WJ)
- Azadeh Peyman (AP)
- Bennett Ibey (BI)
- Anke Huss (AH)
- Lucas Portelli (LP)

Invited for making notes: Melanie De Coster (MD)

Invited for point 4: Theo Samaras (TS)

1. Adoption of agenda:
 1. The agenda was adopted without any objections
2. Minutes of the twenty-second meeting: approval
 1. The minutes of meeting #22 were approved without any amendments
3. Overview of the actions of Meeting #19, #20 and #21
 1. Meeting 20
 - Item 10.6: JM will check if any funds are required to secure the chosen places.
 - Actions assigned: Contact JM for the contract with BioEM (MD), determine the payment process and organization, and AP approved the payment of 20,000 euros (seconded by OZ).
 - Item 10.7: NK and LM: contact the Chinese society after the call in October.
 - LM to initiate contact
 2. Meeting 21
 - Item 5.1: Finalize the venue contract: NP (together with LM and MD)
 - Contact NP for the contract with BioEM (MD)
 - AP will forward template to MD
 - LOC is tasked with understanding the tax regulations in Greece to optimize our financial planning
 - Item 8.1: Agreement to place the complete conference abstract books on IT'IS server with access for members and participants (MD) – Discussed Item 10
 3. Meeting 22
 - Item 4.4: Extension of the deadline until 31/03/24.
 - MD to adjust website and newsletter to inform members
 - Item 4.5: Best Bioelectromagnetics journal paper
 - Email to inform all members who submitted at BioEM 2023 (TS to draft with MD's assistance
 - Draft to be approved (LM)
 - Item 4.6: More submissions this year than last year: will be reported by TS at the next board meeting
 - Item 4.7: MD to send action items to TS

- Item 5.1: NP: share all the information with AH and WJ, as they are part of the Technical Program Committee (TPC) for BioEM2024 ✓
- Item 5.3: BioEM2024: invited speakers, workshop, and tutorials
 - RN is asked to propose a third invited speaker: to be discussed under 5.
 - Plenary speakers to be added to the website by the end of the year (MD)
 - Forwarding emails from the previous year to AH (MD) ✓
- Item 6.2: Candidates for elections
 - The deadline for nominations by the end of the year must be communicated to the election officer, AP.

4. Update the journal

1. Slides TS attached
2. Current year submissions and rejection rate discussed.
3. Concerns raised about downloads.
4. Discussion on citation, special issues, and guidelines for writing papers.
5. TS to write an editorial, possibly with OZ, on scientific sound research and papers. To be involve d for the editorial: experts from biology, dosimetry, and statistics.
Deadline for the editorial set for the end of January.

5. BioEM 2024

1. Report of the first extended LOC meeting
 - GA on Tuesday instead of Monday
 - 1h30min GA (The torch will be passed from the previous president (LM) to the new one (AP))
 - 30 min lunch
 - Important dates
 - TPC needs to start to define the dates
 - Set up Oxford abstracts
 - Call for abstracts beginning of December
 - NP: create monthly overview of the budget
 - Taxes for registrations fee if paid directly to BioEM qand payment schedule from BioEM to CCBS?
 - A schedule needs to be drafted by CCBS for payment, subject to approval by BioEM.
 - The responsibility for sorting out taxes lies with CCBS and LOC.
 - Optimization of the setup will occur once the applicable rules are clarified.
 - Website: more visibility on BioEM website for BioEM 2024 ✓

2. Final list invited speakers, workshop, and tutorials

- Suggestions BI
 - Clifford Brangwynne
 - David Baker
- Suggestions Julian Modolo
 - Christof Koch
 - Gael Varoquaux
 - Mickael Tanter
- Approach
 - LM will initiate parallel contact with Clifford Brangwynne and David Baker.
 - Julian Modolo will simultaneously reach out to Christof Koch.
 - As an alternative for Clifford Brangwynne and David Baker, Gael Varoquaux will be contacted second by Julian Modolo.
 - Michael Tanter's contact is currently on hold.
- To be decided in December.
- Decision on tutorials postponed until the next board meeting.

6. Elections: Update nomination committee

- Election date changed to March 1, 2024

- Criteria for candidacy and financial independence discussed
 - Next steps outlined, including requesting CVs and motivation letters by December 31
- 2. Next steps
 - In January, compile all information for AP. (Nomination committee)
 - By December 31, request CVs, vision statements, and motivation letters from candidates.
- 3. Additional Information:
 - AP: Quote for electronic ballot: 2500 euros.
 - MD to explore other options and present findings at the next board meeting.
 - Email communication to inform all members about the changed election date to March 1, 2024, instead of the initially scheduled date of February 1, 2024. (MD)
- 7. Awards: Update from Awards committee (presentation FPoullietier attached)
 1. New award discussed, separate from the call for abstracts
 2. Forms to submit and review process to be structured
 3. Criteria, review form and call details to be finalized for the next board meeting
- 8. Short term missions: update from the Education Committee
 1. Five submissions received; a meeting to decide is planned
 2. Issues with receiving emails from BioEM discussed
 3. Advertising efforts to be increased.
- 9. Memorial Message for Prof. Ben Greenebaum
 1. LP to gather information from other researchers who knew Prof. Ben Greenebaum very well
- 10. Access to Full Abstracts Books for BioEM Annual Meetings
 1. Difficulty with accessing and downloading abstracts discussed.
 2. Plan to contact Oxford Abstracts and add all abstracts as PDFs. (MD)
- 11. Review of decision list and actions list
 1. Meeting 23
 - Item 3.1: BioEM 2025
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 - Item 3.1: NK and LM: contact the Chinese society after the call in October.
 - LM to initiate contact
 - Item 3.2
 - Contact NP for the contract with BioEM (MD)
 - AP will forward template to MD
 - LOC is tasked with understanding the tax regulations in Greece to optimize our financial planning
 - Item 3.3:
 - Extension of the deadline until 31/03/24.
 - Leaflets to be uploaded on BioEM website
 - Best Bioelectromagnetics journal paper
 - Draft to be approved (LM)
 - Item 4.5:
 - TS to write an editorial, possibly with OZ, and to involve experts from biology, dosimetry, and statistics.
 - Deadline for the editorial set for the end of January.
 - Item 5.2: BioEM 2024
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 - Julian Modolo will simultaneously reach out to Christof Koch.
 - As an alternative for Clifford Brangwynne and David Baker, Gael Varoquaux will be contacted second by Julian Modolo.
 - Item 6: Elections
 - Nomination committee: In January, compile all information for AP.
 - Nomination committee: By December 31, request CVs, vision statements, and motivation letters from candidates.
 - MD to explore other options for electronic ballot and present findings at the next board meeting.

- Email communication to inform all members about the changed election date to March 1, 2024, instead of the initially scheduled date of February 1, 2024. (MD)
- Item 7: Awards
 - Awards committee: Criteria, review form and call details to be finalized for the next board meeting.
- Item 9:
 - LP to gather information from other researchers who knew Prof. Ben Greenebaum very well
- Item 10: Access to Full Abstracts Books for BioEM Annual Meetings
 - Plan to contact Oxford Abstracts and add all abstracts as PDFs. (MD)
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12. AOB and Adjourn

13. Next Meeting Dates:

1. December 11, 18:00 CET
2. January 22, 2024, at 18:00 CET
3. February 20, 2024, at 18:00 CET
4. March 25, 2024, at 18:00 CET
5. April 22, 2024, at 18:00 CET
6. May 21, 2024, at 18:00 CET

Charlotte Roberts from IT'IS to send meeting invites (MD).



BioEM

New awards in 2024

Young scientist (name?)

Early or mid career researcher (5 or 10 years after PhD)

Free Participation to the annual BioEM meeting + Plenary talk+ Money (5000 \$)

Selection criterias: Stays abroad, Publications, First authors, HI, Fellowships awards, Grants, Independant research capability, collaborations, interdisciplinarity ...



BioEM

New awards in 2024

D'Arsonval

Extraordinary accomplishment in bioelectromagnetics

Candidates should be nominated in a letter signed by one or more members

Free Participation to the annual BioEM meeting +

Plenary talk+ Money (10 000 \$) + travel and accommodation costs

Reviewing committee: the last five winners, who will provide evaluations. The final decision will be made by the board.

6th Report

Theodoros Samaras
EiC Bioelectromagnetics

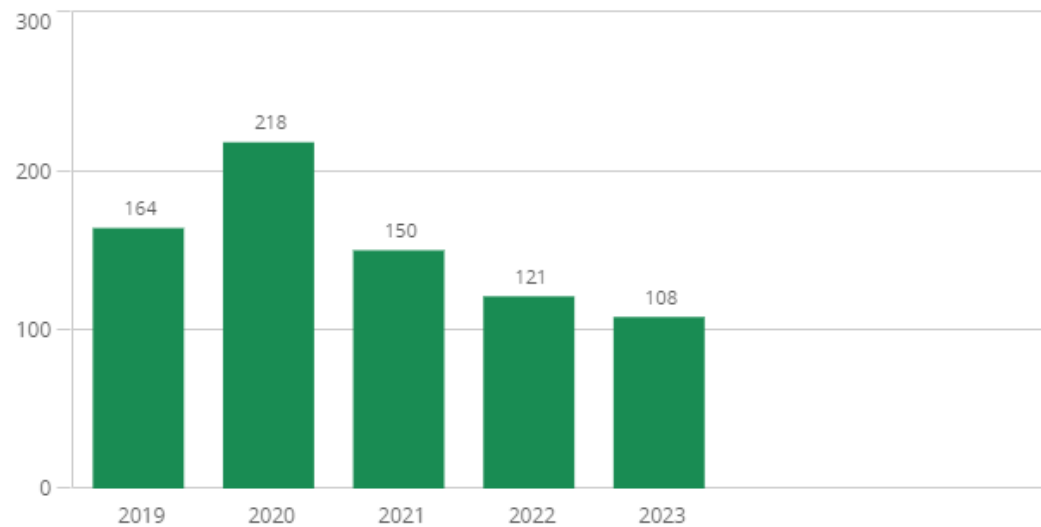
Current Year Submissions

108

▲ 11.3% (YTD)
as of end September 2023

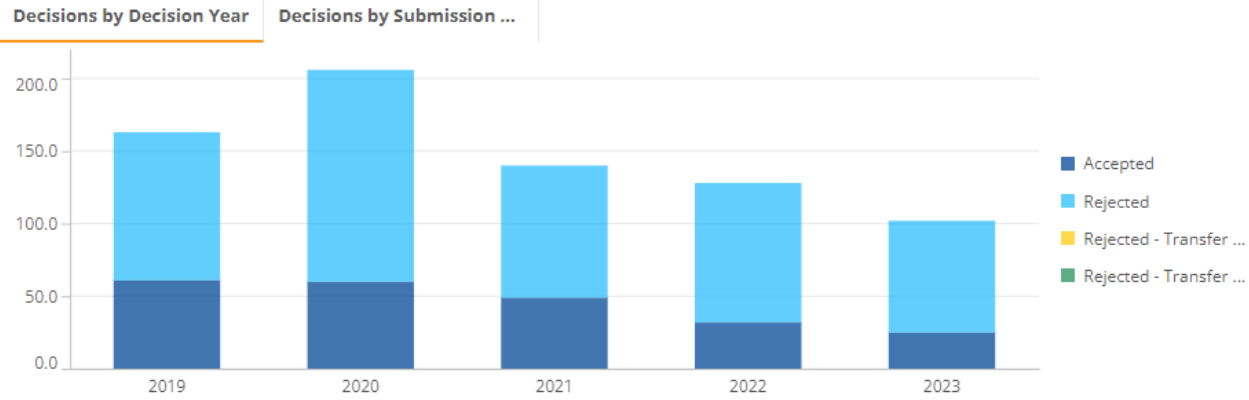


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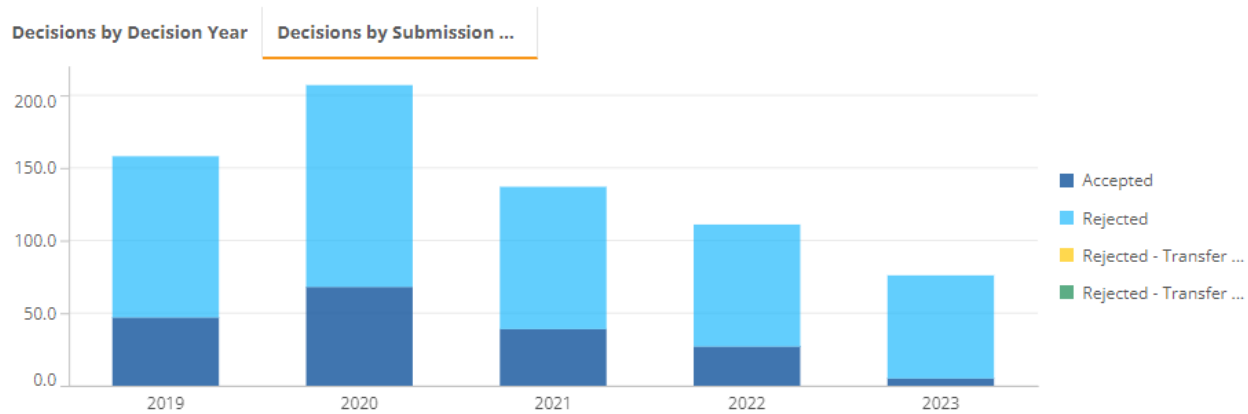


Statistics – November 13, 2023

DECISIONS BY YEAR

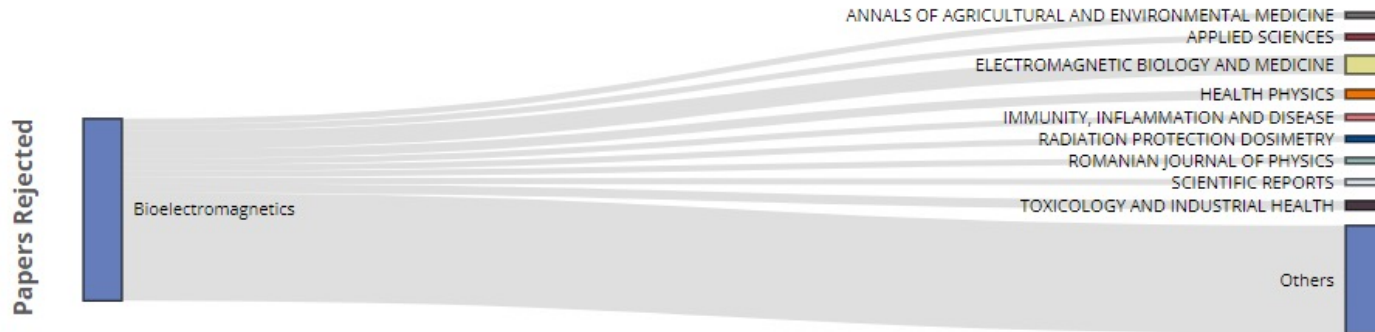


DECISIONS BY YEAR



Statistics – November 13, 2023

REJECTED ARTICLES



Rejecting Journal

Publishing Journal

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Journal	Q	Year	Q	Publishing Journal	Q	Publisher	Q	Papers Rejected
Totals								59
Bioelectromagnetics		2023		MEDICAL & BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERING & COMPUTING		SPRINGER NATURE		1
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		ELECTROMAGNETIC BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE		T & F		2
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		IMMUNITY, INFLAMMATION AND DISEASE		WILEY		2
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		BIOTECHNOLOGY AND BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING		SPRINGER NATURE		1
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		HEALTH PHYSICS		WOLTERS KLUWER		1
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		IMMUNOBIOLOGY		ELSEVIER		1
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		JOURNAL OF GENETICS		SPRINGER NATURE		1
Bioelectromagnetics		2022		MOLECULAR & CELLULAR TOXICOLOGY		SPRINGER NATURE		1

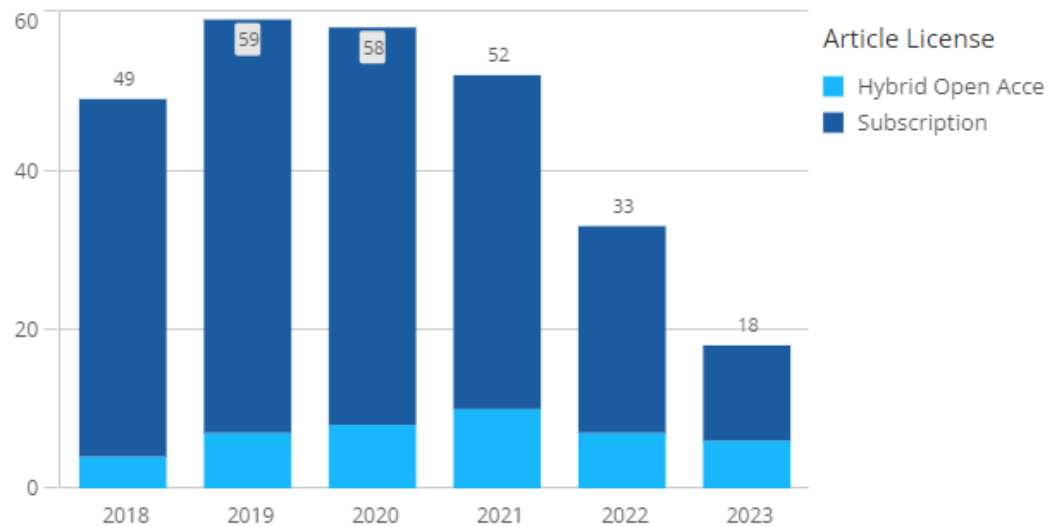
Current Year Articles Published

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▼ -28.0% (YTD)
as of end September 2023



ARTICLES PUBLISHED TREND



Submission to First Online Date

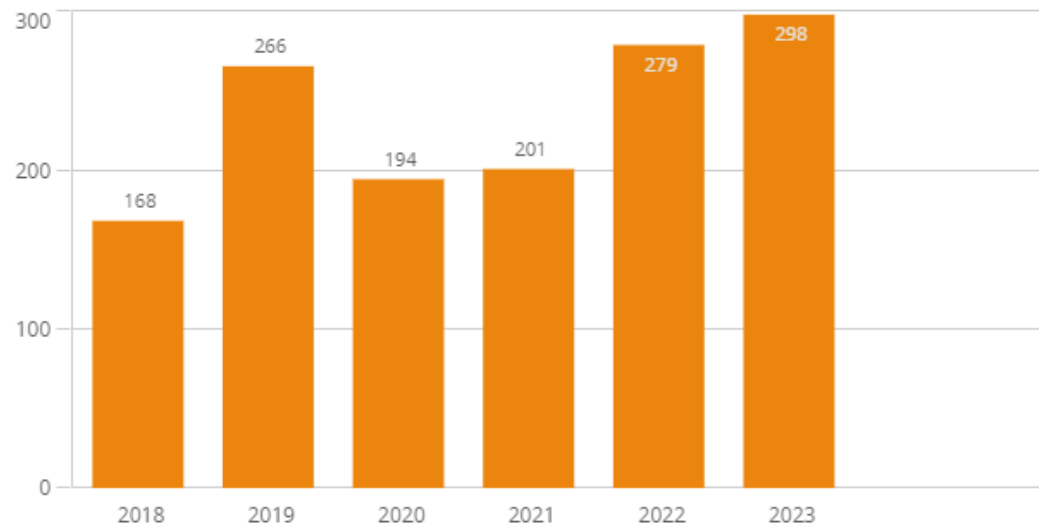
298 days

▲ 11.8% (YTD)

as of end September 2023



MEDIAN DAYS FROM SUBMISSION TO ONLINE PUBLICATION TREND



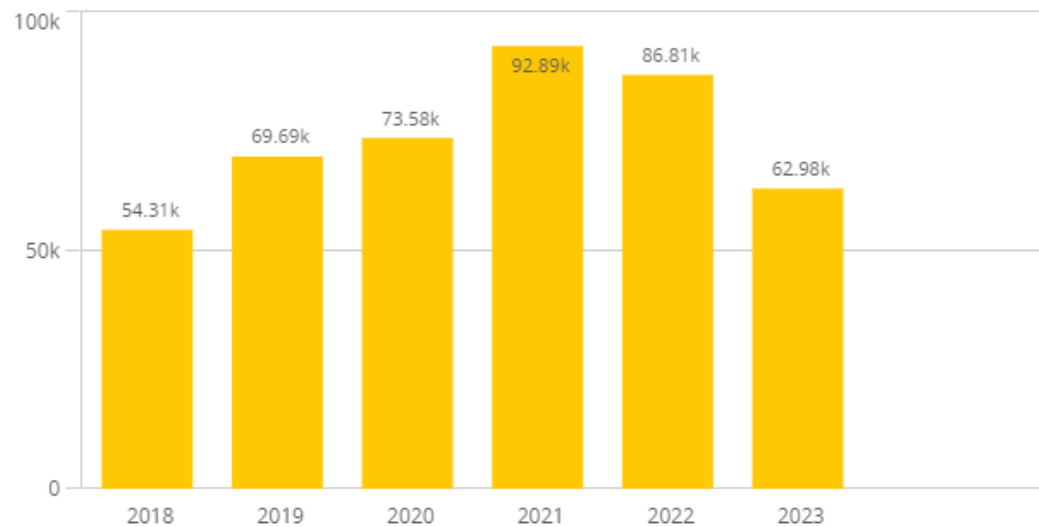
Current Year Downloads

63.0K

▼ -6.0% (YTD)
as of end September 2023



DOWNLOAD TREND



Current Year 2-Year Citations

91

as of end September 2023



2-YEAR CITATION TREND

