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The *Canadian Journal of Public Health* (CJPH) publishes peer-reviewed original articles, reviews and correspondence on all aspects of public health and preventive medicine. CJPH is a recognized vehicle for timely, high-quality, relevant research and commentary for the community of researchers, policy-makers, and practitioners to support knowledge transfer, contribute to understanding of complex public health problems, and inform decisions to promote the public's health.

Submissions from authors outside of Canada are encouraged and will be considered for peer review; these submissions should have relevance to public health in Canada.

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Sections of the Journal

Quantitative Research

The systematic empirical investigation of observable phenomena via statistical, mathematical or computational techniques. Quantitative data are any data that are in numerical form, such as statistics, percentages, etc. The researcher is hoping the numbers will yield an unbiased result that can be generalized to some larger population. Structured with objectives, methods, results, discussion, and conclusion sections.

- Maximum word length: 3500 words, not including abstract, tables/figures, references
- Structured abstract: 250 words, with the following headings: Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusion
- So What Section.
- Maximum number of references: 30

Qualitative Research

Qualitative research is an umbrella phrase that describes many research methodologies (e.g., ethnography, grounded theory, phenomenology) which draw primarily on language-based and visual data generated from various techniques such as interviews, focus groups, observations and the analysis of in-situ texts and visual representations. Qualitative researchers ask broad questions and engage with social theory in the analysis and presentation of findings. Structured with objectives, methods, results, discussion, and conclusion sections.

- CJPH publishes high-quality, theoretically-informed, methodologically-rigorous qualitative research about public health issues.
- CJPH emphasizes qualitative research that is engaged with contemporary developments in social theory and qualitative research methodology and that contributes to critical, informed public health knowledge, thinking and practice. The journal welcomes research based on various analytic strategies and forms of data.
- Purely descriptive research and reports of meeting proceedings are discouraged.
- Maximum word length: 5000 words, not including abstract, tables/figures, references
- Structured abstract: 250 words, with the following headings: Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusion

- [So What Section](#).
- Maximum number of references: 30

Mixed Research

The term "mixed research" refers to an emergent methodology of research that advances the systematic integration, or "mixing," of quantitative (closed-ended) and qualitative (open-ended) data within a single investigation or sustained program of inquiry. The basic premise of this methodology is that such integration permits a more complete and synergistic utilization of data than do separate quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis. Structured with objectives, methods, results, discussion, and conclusion sections.

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- Structured abstract: 250 words, with the following headings: Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusion
- [So What Section](#).
- Maximum number of references: 30

Population Health Intervention Research

Empirical study that uses quantitative, qualitative or mixed research methods to investigate a research question about an intervention aimed at changing the distribution of determinants of health in a population. Interventions can be planned and implemented outside or within the health and public health sector (see Hawe P, Potvin L. [What is population health intervention research?](#) (PDF) Can J Public Health 2009;100:i8-14). Research objectives can relate to the planning, implementation, efficacy, effectiveness, sustainability or scaling up of a population health intervention.

- Maximum word length: 4500 words, not including abstract, tables/figures, references
- Structured abstract: 250 words with the following headings: Intervention, Research Question, Methods, Results, Conclusion
- [So What Section](#).
- Maximum number of references: 30

Innovations in Policy and Practice

With this section, we wish to provide practitioners with a means to explore promising ideas at the implementation phase. In order to do so, we have a different submission system from the other article types. The IPP process consists of two steps: 1) submission of a fully-identified structured abstract for consideration; 2) if invited by the editors, submission within the same Editorial Manager record of a full (and fully-identified) manuscript for non-blinded peer review (meaning that authors and reviewers are transparent to each other).

Step One – Structured Abstract

- See [published article](#) by Dr. Trevor Hancock, former Senior Editor, et al., describing this type of CJPH submission.
- Note that we require that authors (or at least lead authors and/or the majority of authors) are practitioners. Academics may take the lead in writing the article, if so requested by the practitioners, but the practitioners

still have to be the main contributors to the article. In the Abstract, please include the names of all authors as well as their positions/roles in their organizations.

- Please note that we are interested in innovations that have been implemented, not innovative ideas or proposals for innovations; the latter might be appropriate for submission to the CJPH as a commentary.
- Submit a 250-word structured abstract as a new submission on the Journal website for initial evaluation and feedback. Use the following headings: Setting, Intervention, Outcomes, Implications

NOTE: You will need to follow the normal submission process, creating a title page as well as an abstract through the forms provided; however, rather than uploading a blinded manuscript for peer review, you will instead upload the abstract once again, this time with all authors and their affiliations included within the document.

Step Two – Submission of manuscript to the same Editorial Manager submission record [once approval of the Abstract is received from Senior Editor]

- NOTE: Peer review of IPP submissions is non-blinded. Therefore, please upload a NON-blinded manuscript (i.e., with full author identification included) where "Blinded manuscript" appears. This file will be sent to the first round of peer review.
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- The manuscript must contain the structured abstract (as described in Step One)
- So What Section.
- Maximum number of references: 30

Systematic Review

A systematic review reports on a systematic search in the literature for primary studies relevant to a well-defined research question. It summarizes the results of empirical qualitative or quantitative primary studies. Synthesis methods can be quantitative (meta-analysis) or qualitative (narrative synthesis) or mixed (mixed methods). Structured with introduction, methods, synthesis, and conclusion sections.

- Maximum word length for all types of systematic reviews: 4500 words, not including abstract, tables/figures, references
- Structured abstract: 250 words, with the following headings: Objectives, Methods, Synthesis, Conclusion
- Maximum number of references: 50, with links if required to lists of retrieved and excluded articles
- Detailed search strategy (including key words) should be included in a supplementary file.

Commentary

Commentaries take a "position" and then bring forth arguments or evidence to support that position. Structured with content-appropriate headings and a conclusion section. The text summary (abstract) gives the reader an idea what the commentary is about.

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- Maximum number of references: 15
- CJPH commentaries have a reduced number of tables and figures (up to a total combined of 3).

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- Maximum word length: 500 words
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- Maximum number of references: 10

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While the concepts of both "sex" and "gender" are widely recognized as important considerations in health research, the presence of these and other key determinants of health in research findings remains quite variable in the published literature. In an effort to close this knowledge gap in relation to the implications of both sex and gender in the public health research evidence base, the CJPH requires all authors to answer the following questions as part of the manuscript submission process:

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In its December 2020 issue (Volume 111, Number 6), CJPH proudly launched its policy with regard to publication of health research on Indigenous Peoples (Smylie et al., 2020; see also two accompanying editorials: Potvin 2020; Marsden et al. 2020). The policy explicitly requires that articles submitted to CJPH reporting on a study about First Nations, Inuit, Métis and Indigenous Peoples from Canada and other countries explain how the researchers engaged with concerned communities and how the interpretation and contextualization of the results take into account the experiential knowledge of those whom the research is about. This policy applies to all research, regardless of whether it is using primary or secondary data.

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2. If yes, were the relevant Indigenous Peoples or populations engaged in the study and/or preparation of this submission? Yes/No
3. If yes, please summarize how the relevant Indigenous Peoples or populations have been engaged as individuals and collectively in the study and/or preparation of this submission (2000 character limit).

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This journal follows a double-blind reviewing procedure (except for IPP submissions, which are non-blinded: see process outlined above in "Innovations in Policy and Practice" under Sections of the Journal).

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The title page should include:

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Please provide 4 to 6 MeSH keywords which can be used for indexing purposes. These should be placed directly after the Abstract.

Translation of Abstract

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Please use no more than three levels of displayed headings.

"So What" Section

All authors of research submissions and Innovations in Policy and Practice (IPP) submissions are required to include a section at the end of the paper (before the References section) which provides bullet answers to two questions with respect to the import of their research. NOTE that this section does not count toward the overall word count of the manuscript.

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What does this study add to existing knowledge?
What are the key implications for public health interventions, practice or policy?

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What are the innovations in this policy or program?
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What are the burning research questions for this innovation?
- i.e., What would be needed to scale up the innovation, and/or do rigorous evaluation research to corroborate preliminary findings?

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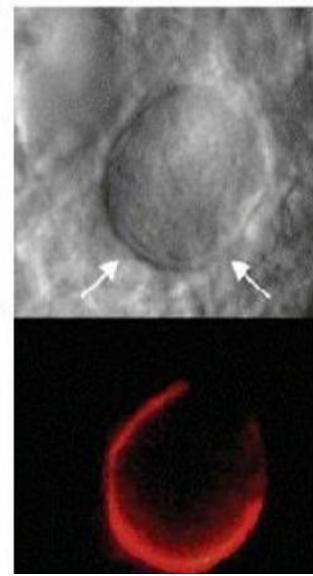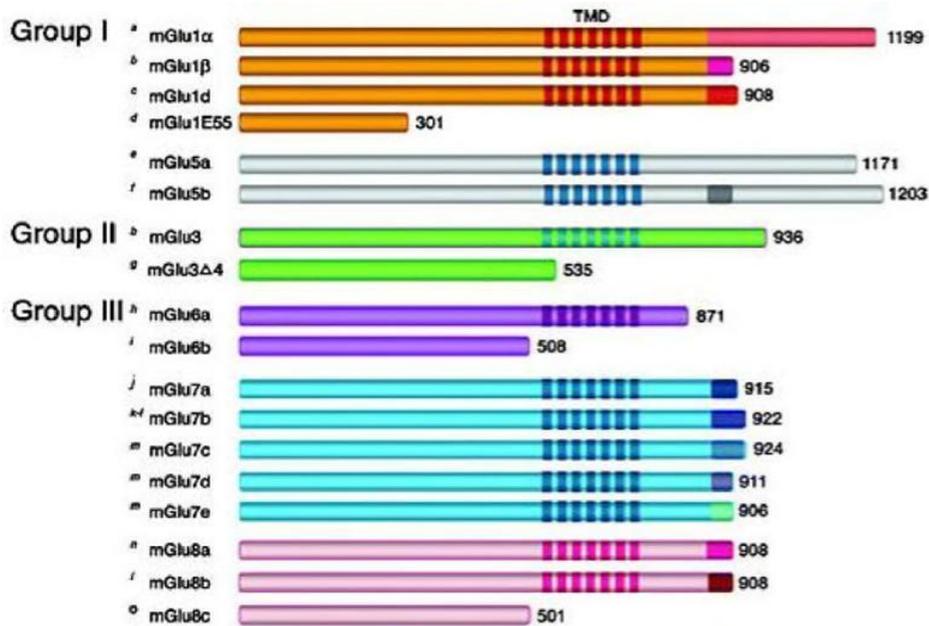
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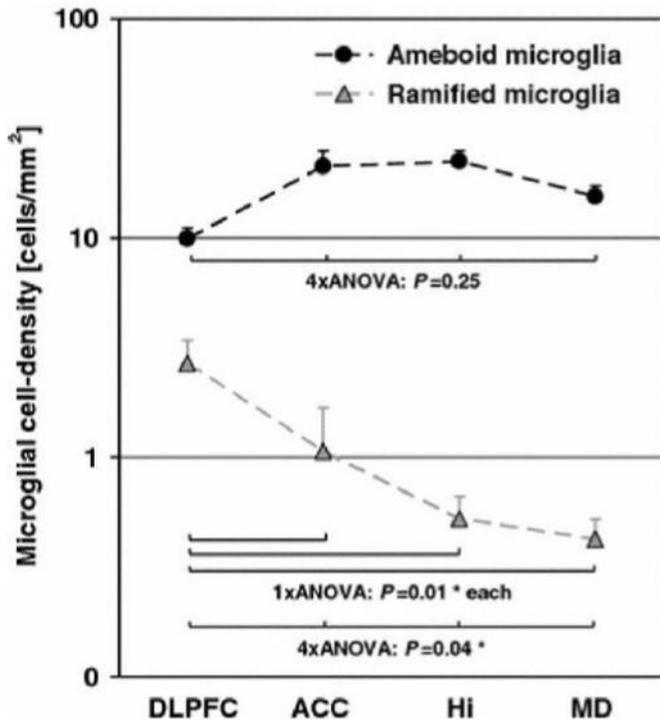
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