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Publication Policy



Publication policy for scientific papers

ALERRT will seek to publish results (scientific findings, protocols, opinions) in international peer-reviewed scientific journals. Where feasible results will be published in open-access journals. Where open-access is not feasible, ALERRT will make its publication available via the online repositories of its partners, respecting embargo periods.

As a general principle, publication can never threaten or delay in any way the rapid distribution of clinical evidence in support of a clinical care or public health response to (re-)emerging and epidemic-prone infectious disease outbreaks.

ALERRT will submit to present at conferences with themes including: technical laboratory, clinical research, medical humanitarian, epidemic control and community engagement. Special efforts will be made to ensure that non-academic groups are reached through these conferences, as policy makers, NGOs and medical and nursing students are key populations for ALERRT's research impact

Fast-track dissemination option:

In an emergency disease outbreak situation, as determined by the Executive Committee ("Emergency"), fast-track dissemination will be permitted.

All publications will be sent to the coordinating centre once accepted in order to:

1. Disseminate to the wider ALERRT consortium
2. Make available on the ALERRT intranet
3. Record the publication for reporting to the EDCTP

Publications and authorship will follow the International committee of Medical journal editors (ICMJE) guidelines (<http://www.icmje.org/recommendations/browse/roles-and-responsibilities/defining-the-role-of-authors-and-contributors.html>).

Acknowledgement text in publications

ALERRT needs to be acknowledged in all external communication (media materials, website articles, scientific publications, courses etc.) using the following wording:

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