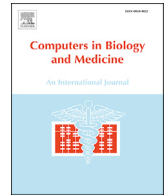




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ABSTRACT

The following editorial provides information concerning papers published in Computers in Biology and Medicine journal during 2017. Specifically, those papers on which have been bestowed honored status are listed.

At the beginning of each year, we evaluate the papers published in Computers in Biology and Medicine (CBM) journal during the prior year, for purposes of bestowing honors. Below you will find a list of esteemed and meritorious papers that were published in CBM during 2017. The editorial board and I developed this list according to the high quality and significant degree of interest in the work. Initially, a few months into 2018, I looked for all papers published in 2017 that were cited at least 4 times in Google Scholar. Papers published late in the year would still have a number of months to be cited, since they were available online for several months before being officially published. From this list, the editorial board and myself decided those high quality papers in which we would like to call attention as honored papers. My particular congratulations to the authors of these exemplary studies.

Indeed, through the superb work of the authors, reviewers, and editorial board, CBM has become more prestigious during the past year. I would like to thank all authors, not just those of the honored papers, for contributing very nice work, as published in the journal during the past year. In 2017 we received about 1550 submissions, and approximately 300 papers were published. Thus, the acceptance rate is less than 1 in 5. All manuscripts are initially screened by me, and I reject more than half outright, usually within an hour of receiving them. I look at English grammar, plagiarism, form, and quality. Manuscripts sent for review are turned around usually within 3–4 weeks. Upon revision, notice of acceptance is often within 2 weeks. After acceptance, the time to PubMed appearance is 5–14 days. Thus, the authors are often happy with the process and speed of evaluation.

Rejected articles quite frequently are referred to our related journal, Informatics in Medicine Unlocked (IMU). It is easier to publish in this journal (approximately 1/2 of manuscripts are eventually accepted). Although primarily the topics are bioinformatics and related disciplines, satisfactory papers in the field of biomedical engineering may also be accepted for publication in IMU.

Lastly, I would like to thank the readers of both the print and online

versions of CBM. A number of authors pay the expense to have color figures in the print version of their manuscript. This makes for pleasant reading. It is suggested that a subscription to the print version of the manuscript, as well as the online version, may be of interest to many. We believe that the work published in the journal, both biological and medical, will be of interest, and invite you to peruse the journal, including those articles cited in the honored papers list. Moreover, previously honored paper can be found in prior issues of the journal [1–3].

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1. Esteemed papers

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