



Summary of the aims and scope of the <i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery</i> and its sister title the <i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery Open Reports</i>		
Journal	<i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery</i>	<i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery Open Reports</i>
Background	<p>The <i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery</i> (<i>JFMS</i>) and its sister journal, the <i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery Open Reports</i> (<i>JFMS Open Reports</i>), are the official journals of both the International Society of Feline Medicine (ISFM) and the American Association of Feline Practitioners (AAFP).</p> <p>These journals are international, peer-reviewed publications and are aimed at both practitioners and researchers with an interest in clinical veterinary healthcare of domestic cats, but each title has specific aims and a different scope (see below). The journals are members of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE).</p>	
Access to the journal	<p>Subscription to <i>JFMS</i> is included as a benefit to members of either ISFM or AAFP. Non-members may receive the journal by joining either society, or by taking out a personal subscription with the publisher SAGE.</p>	<p><i>JFMS Open Reports</i> is an online, fully open access journal, freely accessible at www.jfmsopenreports.com</p>
Aims and Scope	<p><i>JFMS</i> is published monthly in two formats:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Classic' editions' (published in February, April, June, August, October and December) that contain high quality original papers and short communications on all aspects of feline medicine and surgery, including basic research relevant to clinical practice, and • 'Clinical Practice' editions (published in January, March, May, July, September and November) that primarily contain commissioned review papers providing information for feline clinicians, along with other relevant papers such as consensus guidelines. 	<p><i>JFMS Open Reports</i> publishes high quality novel case reports, small case series and short communications reporting valuable national or regional data (eg, prevalence studies) on existing well-established diseases. These papers, while suitable for publication in <i>JFMS OR</i>, are not accepted by <i>JFMS</i>.</p>
Papers considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original research • Short communications reporting, for example, pilot studies and small studies providing valuable data • Large prospective case series • Large retrospective case series 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case reports (with novel information) • Short case series (with novel information) • Short communications on well-recognised diseases, reporting valuable national or regional data on disease prevalence or other relevant regional findings
Our vision	<p><i>JFMS</i> – <i>Defining and advancing feline medicine and surgery</i></p> <p><i>JFMS and JFMS Open Reports</i> – <i>Together, the ultimate resource for feline medicine and surgery</i></p>	<p><i>JFMS Open Reports</i> – <i>The best peer-reviewed clinical reports in feline medicine and surgery</i></p>