



Summary of the aims and scope of the *Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery* and its sister title the *Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery Open Reports*

Journal	<i>JFMS</i>	<i>JFMS Open Reports</i>
Background	The <i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery (JFMS)</i> and its sister journal, the <i>Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery Open Reports (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). These are international, peer-reviewed publications aimed at both practitioners and researchers with an interest in the veterinary care and welfare of domestic cats. Each title has specific aims and a different scope (see below). The journals are members of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE).	
Aims and scope	<i>JFMS</i> is a peer-reviewed journal dedicated to publishing original papers of international or global significance that improve the veterinary care and welfare of domestic cats. From 2023, <i>JFMS</i> will be an open access journal. <i>JFMS</i> publishes high-quality clinical and research studies, including basic research directly relevant to clinical practice, along with high-quality review papers. <i>JFMS</i> also publishes commissioned state-of-the-art review papers and Society-led consensus guidelines.	<i>JFMS Open Reports</i> is an international, open access, peer-reviewed journal dedicated to publishing original papers that improve the veterinary care and welfare of domestic cats. The journal publishes high-quality case reports, short case series and short communications of national or regional significance.
Submissions considered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original clinical/research papers • State-of-the-art review papers • Short communications (eg, small studies providing valuable data) • Substantial prospective or retrospective case series (a minimum of four cases), providing novel and/or important new information 	Papers must be a <i>maximum</i> of 1750 words and fall into one of the following categories: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single case reports presenting novel and/or important information • Short case series (of up to three cases) presenting novel and/or important information • Short communications of national or regional significance (eg, reporting data on well-recognised feline diseases)
Areas of interest	The journals consider all manuscripts directly relevant to feline veterinary care including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anaesthesia and analgesia • Behaviour • Cardiology • Dentistry • Dermatology • Diagnostic imaging • Emergency medicine and critical care • Endocrinology • Gastroenterology and nutrition • Genetics • Haematology and clinical pathology • Infectious diseases, parasitology and epidemiology • Nephrology and urology • Neurology • Oncology • Ophthalmology • Orthopaedics and musculoskeletal disorders • Pathology and pathobiology • Pharmacology, therapeutics and toxicology • Theriogenology and paediatrics • Respiratory medicine • Shelter and unowned cat medicine • Soft tissue surgery • Welfare (encompassing both physical and mental health) 	
Our vision	To define and advance the best international standards for the veterinary healthcare of domestic cats and, in doing so, advance feline welfare. <i>JFMS</i> and <i>JFMS Open Reports</i> – together, aiming to be the ultimate resource for feline medicine and surgery.	