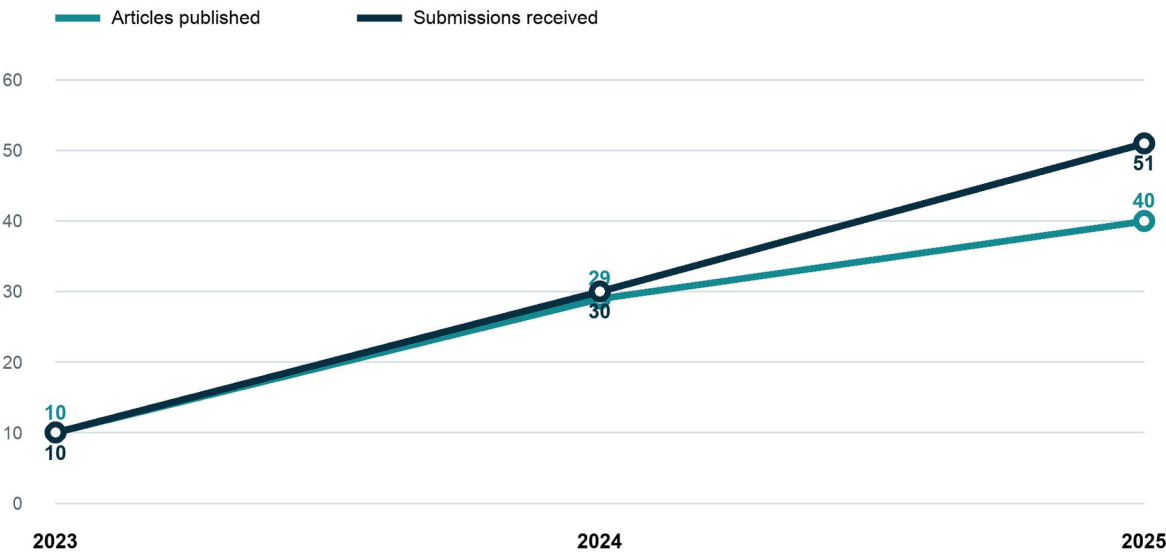


Annual Transparency Report 2023 to 2025

Editorial development, publishing activity and institutional growth



Calendar-year activity recorded in OJS

Purpose and main finding

This report provides a retrospective account of SJORANM's first three publication years using structured records exported from Open Journal Systems. The evidence shows sustained growth from a partial inaugural year in 2023 to a broader and increasingly international publication programme in 2024 and 2025.

Indicator	Result
Published articles, 2023 to 2025	79
Unique published authors	221
Countries represented in available author metadata	17
Published articles with a DOI	79 of 79

INAUGURAL PARTIAL YEAR

2023 Establishing the journal

SJORANM began recording submissions in OJS in May 2023. The inaugural period was therefore not a full calendar year. The main task was to establish the journal's editorial, technical and publishing workflows while releasing the first three issues.

Indicator	Result
Submissions received	10
Articles published	10
Issues published	3
Unique authors in published articles	16
Countries represented in available metadata	2
Articles with a DOI	10 of 10

What the first year established

The first publications created the journal's permanent scholarly record and demonstrated that a Diamond Open Access model could be operated without article processing charges. Early records also reveal the normal limitations of a start-up period: low volume, a geographically concentrated author base and incomplete structured capture of some historical editorial events.

Publication profile

The 2023 output comprised four reviews, three letters and communications, two case reports and one contribution in the Specials section. All ten published articles carry a DOI.

FIRST FULL CALENDAR YEAR

2024 Consolidation and expansion

In 2024 SJORANM moved from an inaugural publishing phase to regular year-round operation. The journal received 30 submissions and published 29 articles across 11 issues. The published author community expanded markedly and the article mix broadened toward original research and case-based scholarship.

Indicator	Result
Submissions received	30
Articles published	29
Issues published	11
Unique authors in published articles	91
Countries represented in available metadata	6
Articles with a DOI	29 of 29

Publication profile

The 2024 output included 14 case reports, 11 research articles, two letters and communications, one review and one contribution in the Specials section. Every published article has a DOI.

Development priorities identified

The year confirmed that publication growth needed to be accompanied by more consistent metadata, clearer policy documentation and more structured capture of editorial activity inside OJS. Historical ORCID coverage is reported as metadata completeness and must not be interpreted as a measure of the journal's current author-authentication policy.

SUSTAINED DEVELOPMENT

2025 Growth and internationalisation

The 2025 record shows continued expansion. SJORANM received 51 submissions and published 40 articles across 12 issues. Compared with 2024, published output increased by 38 percent, submissions increased by 70 percent and the number of unique authors represented in published articles increased by 46 percent.

Indicator	Result
Submissions received	51
Articles published	40
Issues published	12
Unique authors in published articles	133
Countries represented in available metadata	16
Articles with a DOI	40 of 40

Publication profile

The 2025 output comprised 24 case reports, ten research articles, three reviews, two letters and communications and one contribution in the Specials section. All 40 published articles have a DOI.

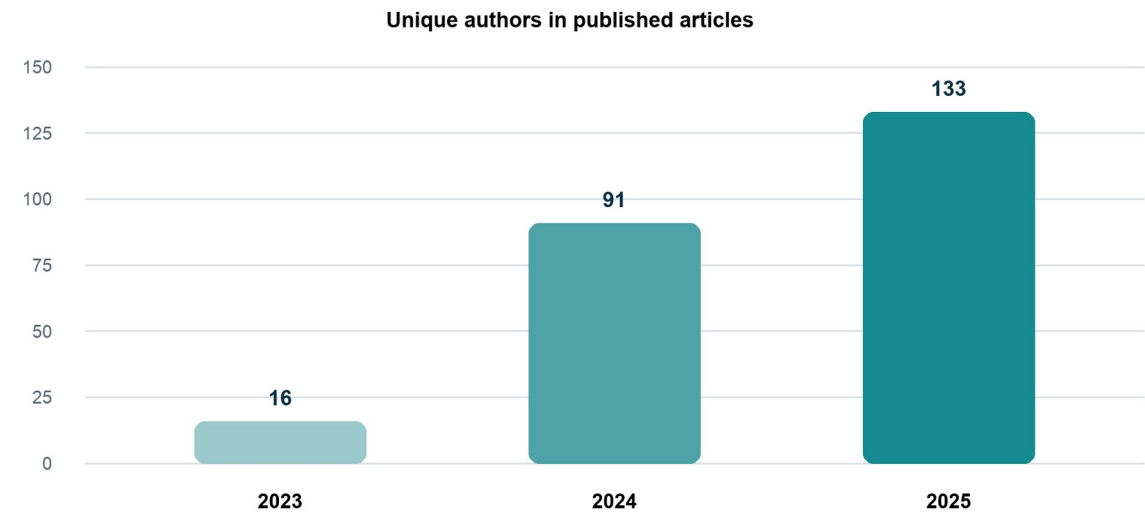
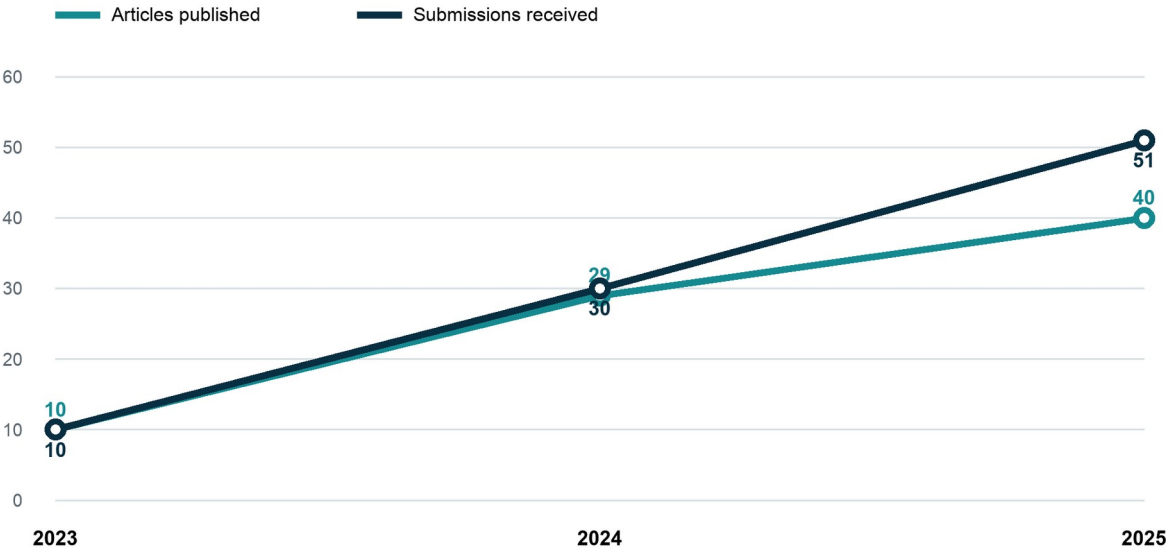
Evidence of broader participation

Available author metadata identifies participation from 16 countries in 2025, compared with six in 2024. This represents a substantial broadening of the journal's international contributor base, while also highlighting the need to keep country, affiliation and ORCID metadata complete for every author.

OVERALL PERFORMANCE SINCE 2023

Overall performance since 2023 ↑

Across the three completed reporting years, the direction is clearly upward. The strongest evidence is not one isolated metric but the simultaneous growth of submissions, published articles, contributing authors and international representation.



Indicator	Result
Growth in annual published output, 2024 to 2025	+38%
Growth in annual submissions, 2024 to 2025	+70%
Growth in unique published authors, 2024 to 2025	+46%
Cumulative published articles, 2023 to 2025	79

TRANSPARENCY AND INTERPRETATION

Organisational reach and editorial capacity

Company records show that SJORANM's LinkedIn profile, established in September 2023, reached 14,950 followers by 26 September 2026. SJORANM GmbH funds the LinkedIn Premium subscription at CHF 70 per month. In 2026, SJORANM also activated additional social-media channels, including YouTube, extending its public reach beyond LinkedIn. Over the same period, the editorial team expanded from 7 to 40 editors. These figures describe organisational development and public reach; they are reported separately from the OJS-derived publication statistics.

Method and limitations

The analysis is based on the OJS Articles Report and Review Report exported on 26 September 2026. Calendar-year submissions are grouped by Date submitted and publications by First published. Publication and submission totals describe activity within each calendar year; they are not cohort conversion rates because an article may be submitted and published in different years.

The historical Review Report contains only four structured reviewer-assignment rows. This is insufficient for reliable annual reviewer counts, review-completion rates or review-duration statistics. No such metric is therefore presented. Future reports should use consistently recorded OJS review assignments and decisions so that peer-review performance can be reported without reconstruction or inference.

Country and ORCID figures reflect completeness of the metadata stored in OJS at the time of export. Missing data are not treated as evidence that an author lacked an affiliation, nationality or ORCID iD. Usage metrics such as abstract views and file downloads are excluded from this retrospective report because a validated, like-for-like annual series for 2023 to 2025 was not available in the exported reports.

Priorities for the next reporting cycle

- Record every external review assignment and completion in OJS.
- Maintain complete country, affiliation, ORCID and ROR metadata for every author.
- Preserve annual OJS exports and publish the calculation protocol with each report.
- Add validated annual abstract-view and file-download statistics only when the series is comparable across years.
- Report corrections, retractions, complaints and appeals as annual transparency indicators.

Institutional context

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