

Journal of Hepatology

***Workings of a leading international
Medical Journal***

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Publication Type

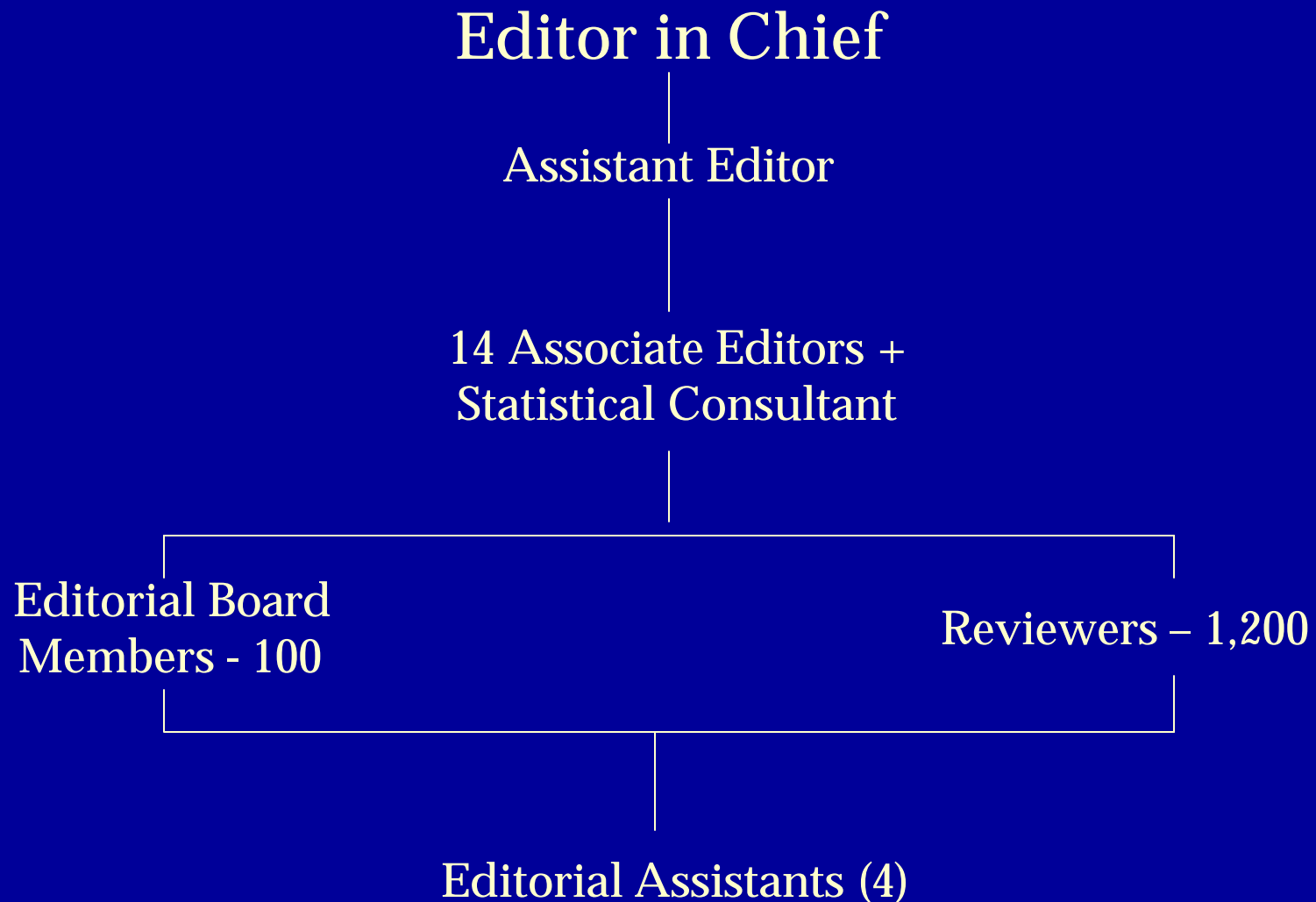
Monthly Publication

Distribution: Worldwide circa 2,200

1-2 Review supplements every 2 to 3 years

Market: - clinicians and basic scientists working in field of Hepatology.

Structure of the Journal



Types of Manuscript

1. The Bridge – a short introduction to each issue highlighting the most important/interesting articles of the month.
2. Original articles - 9 Classifications
3. Case Reports
4. Review Articles - One long and one short
5. Editorials
6. Images
7. Letters to Editor
8. Historical Commentaries (Milestones in Liver disease)
9. Up to date commentaries on new papers (Beyond the Journal)

Originals and Reviews

Classification of Original Articles:

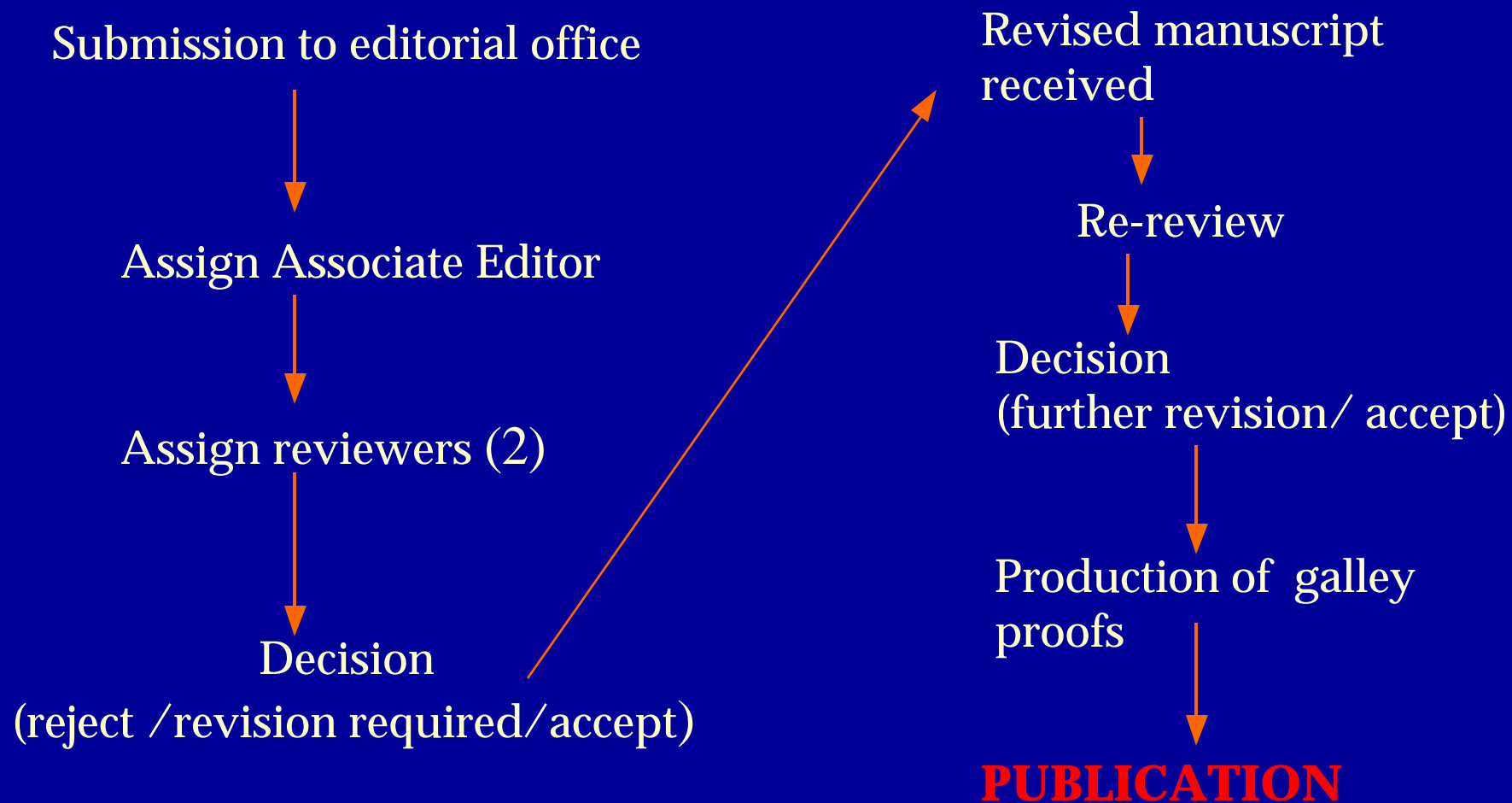
- **Biliary Tract and Cholestasis**
- **Cell Biology, Metabolism and Transport**
- **Chronic Liver Diseases**
- **Cirrhosis and its Complications**
- **Inflammation and Fibrosis**
- **Liver Cell Injury**
- **Liver Growth and Cancer**
- **Transplantation**
- **Viral hepatitis**

Review Articles:

1 Review on a specific topic from any field of hepatology

1 Short Review on a specific area of Liver Transplantation

Life of a Manuscript



Overview of Journal of Hepatology in 2002

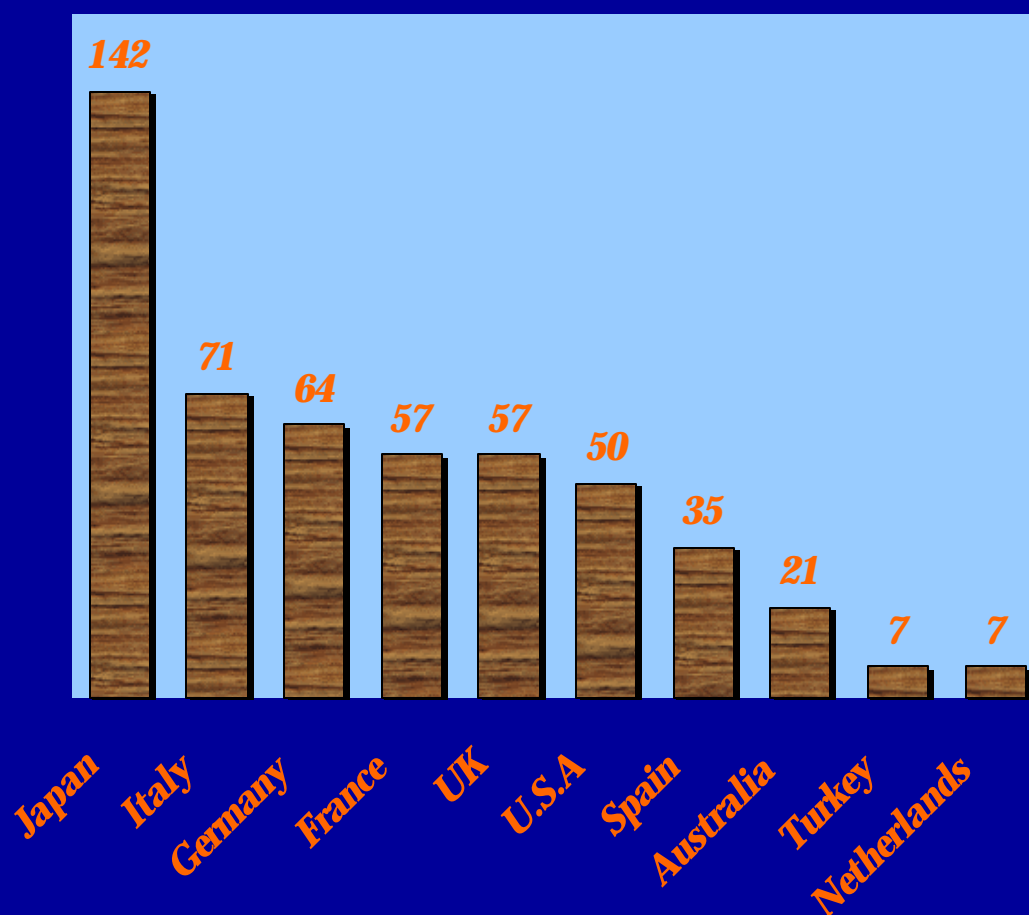
Total # of Submissions: 960 (all papers) 708 (original papers)

Acceptance rate: 30% all papers 27% original papers

Editorial Processing Time: average 40 days

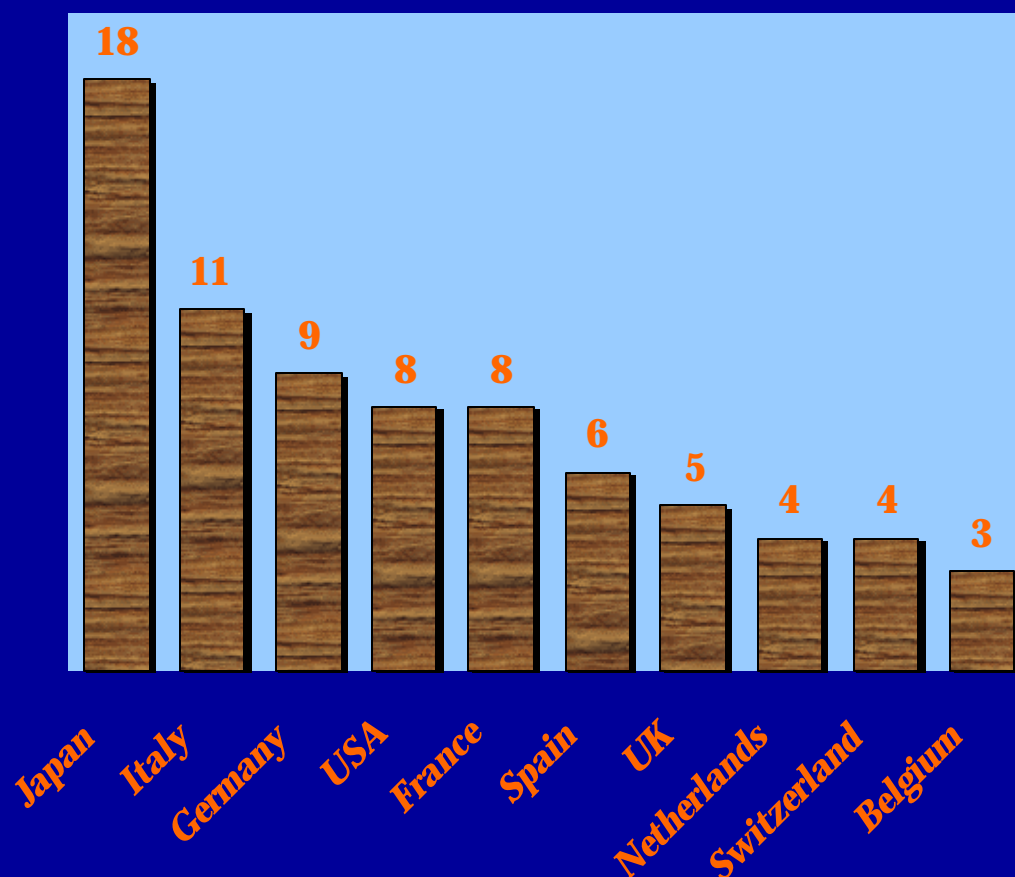
Number of Original Papers Submitted Top 10 Countries

Country	# of Originals
Japan	142
Italy	71
Germany	64
France	57
UK	57
U.S.A	50
Spain	35
Australia	21
Turkey	7
Netherlands	7



Number of Original Papers Published in 2002 Top 10 Countries

Country	# of Originals
Japan	18
Italy	11
Germany	9
USA	8
France	8
Spain	6
UK	5
Netherlands	4
Switzerland	4
Belgium	3



Overview of Monthly Issue of Journal of Hepatology

The Bridge	1
Short Review on Liver Transplantation	1
Milestone in Liver Disease	1
Original articles	14
Editorials	2-3
Review Article (any field)	1
Case Report	1
Image	1
Letters to editor	2-3
Beyond the Journal	1
Announcement Page	

**Monthly
issue of
140 – 150
printed
pages**

Manual Manuscript Processing

- 5 Paper Copies of Manuscript received via post/courier
- File for each Manuscript (space for 1,000 manuscripts per year)
- Copy sent to associate editor, reviewers and publisher

Major Overheads:

- Fax Machine
- Post and Courier Services,
- Journal of Hepatology Stationery.
- Change of Editorial Office (every 5 years)

Online Manuscript Processing

Advantages:

- Authors upload their own papers from their computer
- All communication is done via the system and email
- Administrative Control of the Ms review process done online.
- Reduction in Costs: less paper, no sending Ms. Via post/courier, fax and telephone bills have been reduced.
- Communication and review process is quicker.
- Change of Editorial Office will be easier.

Disadvantages:

- Cost of Implementation
- Technical Problems (speed of connection, servers down, compatibility of files uploaded.)
- Less Flexibility in workflow

Revenue for Journal of Hepatology in 2002

Profit to Journal of Hepatology in 2002 – **120,000 Euros**

Main Source of Income:

- Subscriptions, (Memberships, individual and Institutional)
- Advertising space
- Reprints of Articles

IMPACT FACTOR

JOURNAL	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Gastroenterology	10.33	12.18	12.25	13.2	13.44
Hepatology	5.62	7.34	7.3	8.09	9.82
Gut	5.11	5.75	5.39	6.17	6.32
Sem. In Liver Disease	5	3.07	6.01	6.40	5.95
<i>Journal of Hepatology</i>	3.18	3.71	3.76	4.75	4.97
Am J Gastroenterology	2.61	2.94	2.83	3.54	3.95
Liver transplantation			2.13	3.03	3.78
Am J Physiol (Liver)		3.22	3.12	3.66	3.34
Inflamm Bowel Dis	1.45	1.48	1.79	3.09	3.17
Aliment Pharmacol Ther	2.99	3.05	3.49	3.9	2.98
Gastroenterol Clin N	1.80	1.58	1.77	3.2	1.35

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- All Editorials
- All abstracts to original articles
- Milestones in Liver Disease

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