
CALL FOR PAPERS



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Special Collection in the Memory of James W Vaupel

Demographic Research is honoured to announce a call for papers for a Special Collection in the Memory of Professor James W Vaupel (1945–2022). We aim to celebrate Jim’s life and scientific achievement with a collection of scientific articles on topics that were close to his heart, such as longevity, ageing, mathematical demography, biodemography, and many more – the list is not exhaustive. The Special Collection will be jointly edited by the past and present Editors of the journal: Jakub Bijak, Griffith Feeney, Nico Keilman and Carl Schmertmann.

We invite submissions in two categories:

- Regular **scientific papers** of different kinds (Research Articles, Descriptive Findings, Reviews, Research Materials, Replications, or Reflections), on either methodological or substantive topics. For the description of different submission types, please see the journal website: www.demographic-research.org/info/information_for_authors.htm
- **Personal reflections** (up to 500 words) on Jim’s legacy. We envisage that these reflections from many contributors would be combined into a single Reflection article in Jim’s honour

The timetable and process for submissions is as follows:

15 October 2022: For **scientific papers**, please register interest by sending a 250-word abstract, structured according to the *Demographic Research* template (Background, Objective, Methods, Results, Conclusions, Contribution) to the Editorial Office (office@demographic-research.org). We would like to ask authors to explain the connection (which may be loose) between their proposed paper and Jim’s work, for example in the Contribution section of the Abstract.

For **personal reflections**, please register interest by sending a short email outlining your intended contribution by the same deadline.

15 November 2022: After initial screening, the Editors will invite a selection of papers to submit full manuscripts. Please note that not all papers will be invited, and the Editors reserve the right to reject submissions that, in their view, are too narrow, incremental, do not fit the scope of the journal or collection.

The personal reflections will only undergo light-touch editing, but the Editors reserve the right not to publish any material deemed irrelevant or inappropriate.

28 February 2023: Deadline for full manuscripts. The **scientific papers** need to be submitted via the journal’s submission portal on www.demographic-research.org. **Personal reflections** are to be sent as an email attachment to the Editorial Office at office@demographic-research.org

Summer 2023: Tentative date for the Special Collection being finalised and an Editorial published. The exact timetable will depend on the speed of the review process. In line with our editorial practice, individual papers will be published as soon as they are approved by the reviewers and accepted by the Editors.

For any queries, please contact the Editorial Office at office@demographic-research.org.