

Crystallography Reviews; Publication Schedule Guidance - Notes to Authors

The aim of these notes is to suggest a reasonable timetable to help plan the writing of your review article. Writing styles vary of course but a common feature is planning out the work. Moreover unlike a research article the size of a Crystallography Reviews review, which should aim to be as comprehensive as possible with its cited literature coverage, will be around 20,000 words. [Some articles are 15,000 words and some 30,000 words.] This then is a large writing project, albeit not a book ie which might be 60,000 words.

Counting back from the submission moment then:-

-12 months moment; signed acceptance of the commission from author(s)

-11 months moment; outline with headings and sub headings finalised.

-9 months moment; web of science update of published literature completed (first and most major literature check).

-6 months moment; 50% of writing should be completed and >50% of preferred figures and tables decided upon.

-3 months moment; remaining writing and figures' selection approaching completion.

-2 months moment; high quality versions of figures obtained.

-1 month moment; copyright permission requests launched to relevant authors and publishers.

0 months moment; submission of finished article to Commissioning Editor (Prof Moreton Moore for Physics and Geological and Prof John R. Helliwell for Chemistry and Life Sciences review articles). The article will be reviewed by the Editor and if necessary receipt of revised version from authors and/or answers to comments raised will be required after 1 month from the Editors comments.

On acceptance of the review article, it will then be sent to the Production Editor at Taylor and Francis and high quality image files (nb some further requests for improved figures may occur at this stage) and the copyright permissions will be sent in to production.

+1 month from acceptance; a feedback report will be provided to authors from the Commissioning Science Editor and, if judged necessary by the Science Editor, a specialist referee.

+3 to 4 months moment; publication in next available issue of Crystallography Reviews and publication online as soon as the corrected proofs have been returned.