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Here, we update the statistics for Acta Ophthalmologica in 2021. In all, 1809 manuscripts with 422 revisions were received in 2021 (Fig. 1). Total submissions including original and revision manuscripts dropped approximately 35% from 2020, perhaps due to the pandemic. Altogether, 287 manuscripts were accepted, while 1565 were rejected. The acceptance rate decreased from 17% in 2020 to 15% in 2021 (Fig. 2). The editors-in-chief rejected 77% of manuscripts without review, and additional 8% was rejected following review either with an associate editor or with outside reviewers. Minor revision was recommended for 7% and major revision for 6%, while

revise and resubmit were suggested for 3% of manuscripts. Over 2500 review invitations were set out in 2021. The median time from submission to online publication was 184 days, which reflects last previous years. On average, the editors-in-chief decision was given during the first 3 days after submission. The top three countries for publications were China, Germany and the Netherlands with 34, 32 and 28 publications respectively. Top countries for submissions were China with 538, Germany with 130 and Spain with 118 manuscripts.

Published scientific material included 933 print pages and 1542 online pages in 8 issues of the 2021

journal. The publication backlog was 1026 pages at the end of 2021, which is similar to the previous years. The backlog refers to papers that have been published online, but are not page indexed in an issue. The 2-year scientific impact factor has climbed to the highest level in Acta Ophthalmologica history as is now 3.761 (Fig. 3). Almost one and half million articles were downloaded during 2021, which is 23% more than 2020 (Fig. 4).

Let us make the journal even better this year and turn our eyes to Acta Ophthalmologica 100 years anniversary 2023.

Sincerely,
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Einar Stefánsson
(Editors-in-Chief)

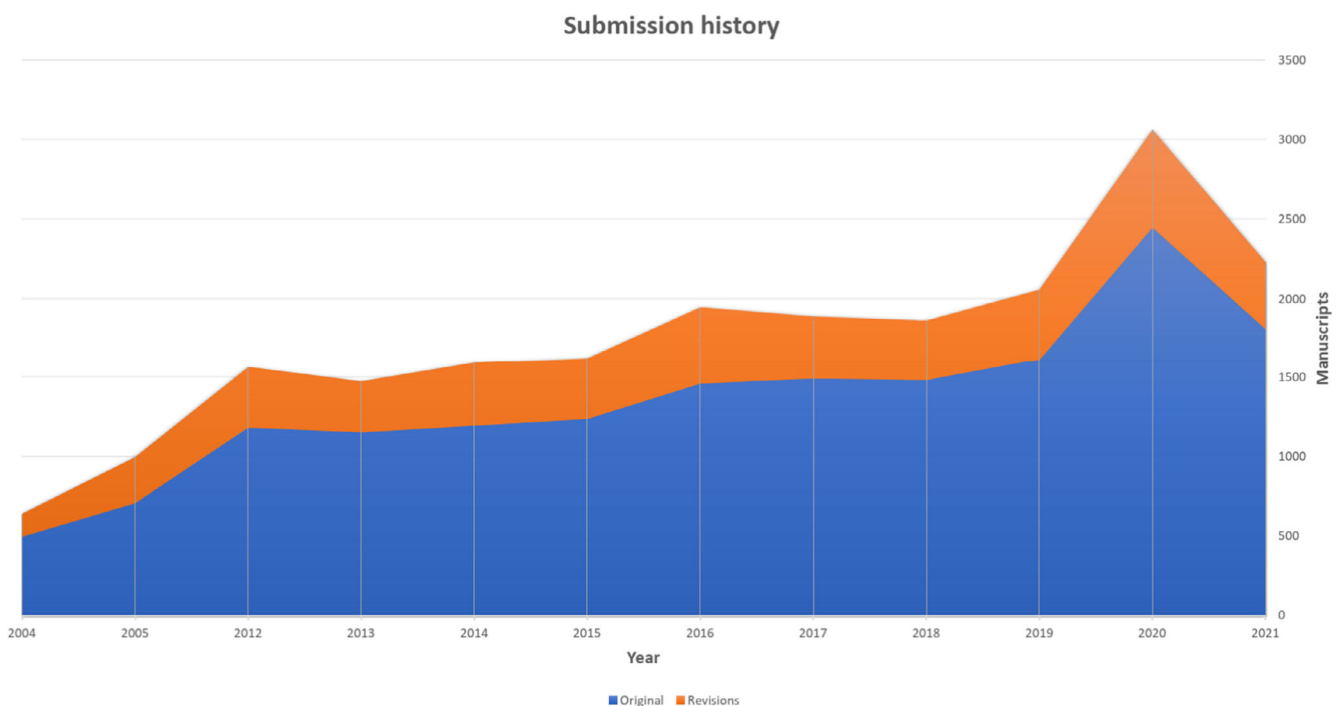


Fig. 1. Trend of submitted manuscripts.



Fig. 2. Trend of manuscript decisions.

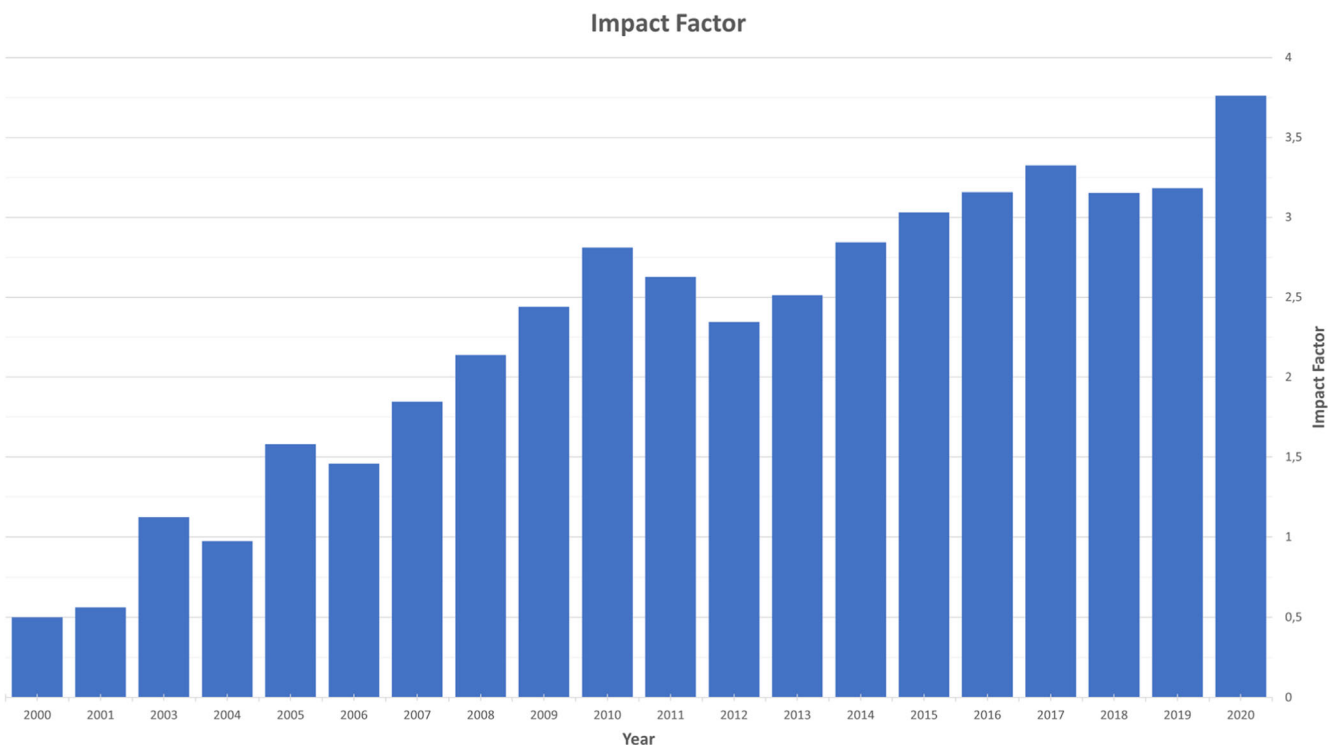


Fig. 3. Annual 2-year impact factors.

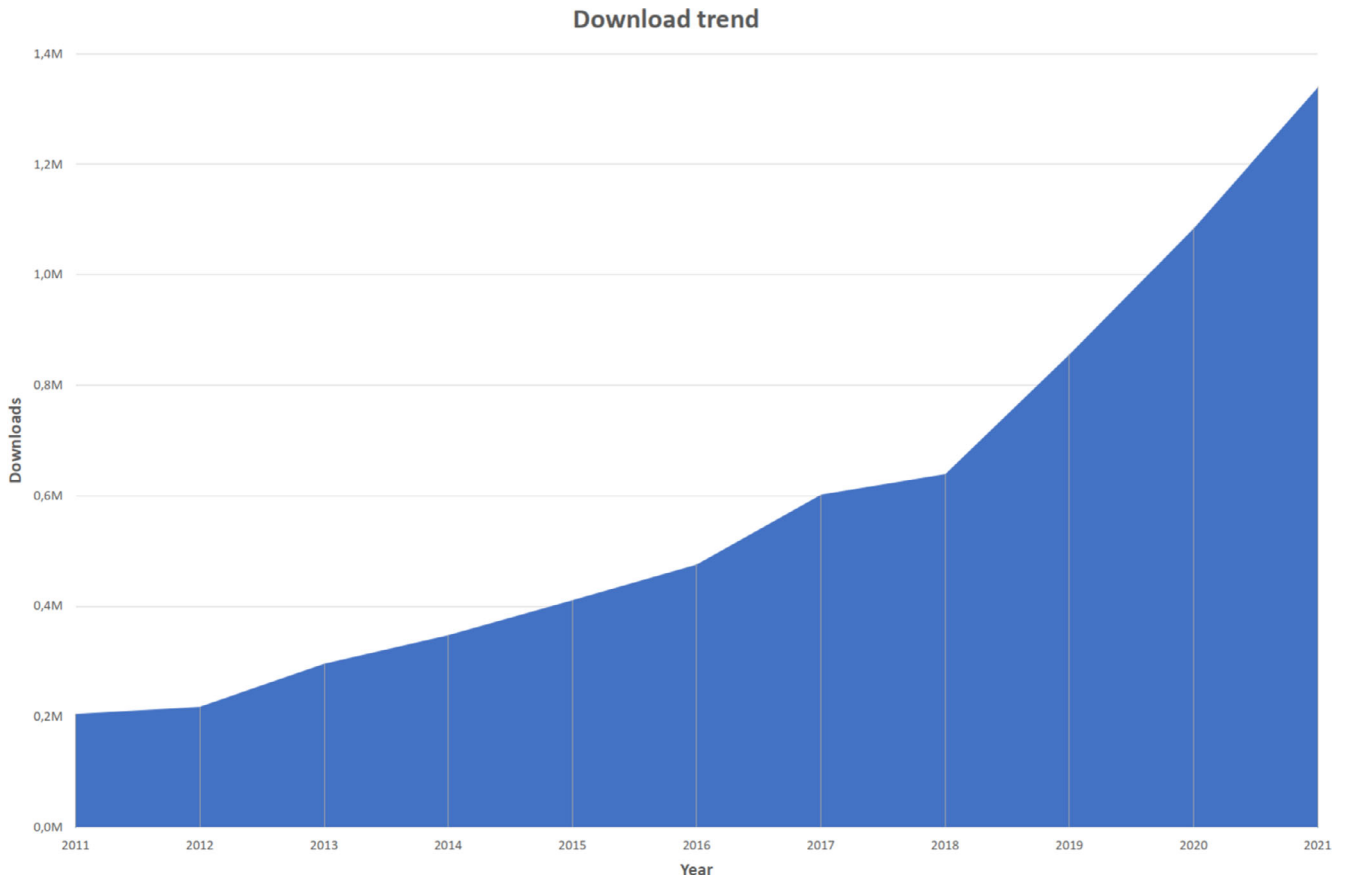




Fig. 4. Trend of article downloads (millions).

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