Announcement

Rapid Reports

BBA is pleased to announce the introduction of Rapid Reports. Authors are asked to note the following points when submitting Rapid Reports.

(1) A Rapid Report should be a complete piece of work of special significance and timeliness.

(2) It should be concise and not normally exceed four printed pages (i.e., 12 pages of double-spaced type-script, including tables and figures up to a total of four). Since a Rapid Report is short, division into sections (e.g., Introduction, Materials and Methods, etc.) is inappropriate. A Summary of about 50 words is, however, required.

(3) A Rapid Report should be submitted to one of the Managing Editors as mentioned on the inside cover of each BBA issue.

(4) The Managing Editor will decide on the acceptability of the paper for publication, generally within 2 weeks of submission of the manuscript.

(5) No proofs will be sent unless specifically requested. In such a case, a fax number must be given to enable turnaround of corrected proofs within 48 h.

(6) Rapid Reports are added to the end of issues currently in production.

(7) An accepted Rapid Report will generally be published within 6-8 weeks of receipt at the Publisher's office, depending on issue scheduling.

Old-style BBA Reports are no longer being considered for publication.