

Manuscript Submissions

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The editorial board of the *Journal of Lower Genital Tract Disease* is developing a new section of the journal on basic research to serve the community of clinicians and scientists addressing medical problems related to lower genital tract disease.

Our objective is simple: to expand the interdisciplinary content of the journal. For this section, we are interested in quality manuscripts on the biologic research of disease processes in the lower genital tract, as well as basic and translational research on the prevention of these diseases. We encourage submission on laboratory investigations, in vitro and ex vivo models, animal models, and pilot data in humans. The range of topics of interest is very broad and may include human papillomavirus biology, genital tract physiology, bioactivity of a new agent for prevention or treatment of lower genital tract disease, epidemiology, and other basic research issues.

Why add a section on basic sciences to the journal? The answer is that basic understanding of the disease processes and their prevention complements the clinical and epidemiologic research already published in the journal. The readership is primarily comprised of clinicians and interdisciplinary clinical scientists, many of whom participate in laboratory investigations. The ob-



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jective is to provide a place in the journal where such studies can be published and shared with readers. With the added expertise of clinically oriented basic scientists on the editorial board, the journal will create a home for review and presentation of the many aspects of research that relate to clinical problems being addressed by most readers of the journal.

We welcome and look forward to receiving your submissions and to reading about your research.

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