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The Journal received 298 papers this past year. With decisions on 273 papers, 23 of which were accepted for publication, the Journal's acceptance rate for the year was 8.5%. While this rate means that many worthwhile submissions cannot be accepted for publication, it does offer some measure of the merit of the papers that do make it through the Journal's review process.

All papers are blindly reviewed. As appropriate, papers are sent to at least two referees. If the referees' reports are strongly positive, the paper along with the reports are circulated for blind review to the Board of Editors, which then votes as a whole on whether or not to accept the paper for publication. The Board thanks the many referees who each year make this review process possible.

For electronic submissions, the Journal strives to return decisions to authors within four months of submission. This past year, with its high submission rate, this has not always been possible. Changes have accordingly been made to improve the Journal's review process.

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