

Editorial Policy

The International Neuroscience Journal is a global forum for translational and clinical neuroscience.

The philosophy of the INJ is to create a platform where international and interdisciplinary cooperation between different experts of the neurosciences is made possible. To this aim, INJ is constituted of one central editorial board and over 30 regional editorial boards, bringing together a great number of scientists and specialists from different disciplines and different parts of the world.

The goal of the INJ is to bridge the gap between basic and clinical neurosciences by presenting research and review articles from different fields with the aim of creating a unique global dialog for the benefit of the patient.

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