

## Effective conceptual and editorial development of the official journal of our Congress - Balneo and PRM Research Journal

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### Abstract

**Introduction.** This report provides background information and indicative points regarding the Balneo and PRM Research Journal, as the official journal of the National Congress of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine and Balneology, underlying effective conceptual and editorial developmental steps. Balneo and PRM Research Journal provides a platform for authors to publish their articles as peer-reviewed original papers, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, short communications and letters to the editor in the following fields: Balneology, Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (PRM), Physio / Kinesiotherapy, Lifestyle and Healthy Ageing, Climatology and Hydrothermal / Aquatic Therapy. The publishing frequency is 4 issues per year in English under [creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-nd/4.0/](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-nd/4.0/) licence. The manuscripts must be accompanied by Conflict-of-Interest Statement, Published Statement of Informed Consent, Published Statement of Human and Animal Rights, Assignment of copyright and authorship responsibilities. Articles can be submitted online on the journal platform, or by email: [articleonbrj@bioclima.ro](mailto:articleonbrj@bioclima.ro). Balneo and PRM Research Journal was recognized, also for this year, by the Romanian College of Physicians for 10 CME credits, based on a yearly subscription.

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**Results and discussion.** The journal's presence in various indexing services, directories and listings: At the present moment, Balneo and PRM Research Journal is part of the International Databases (BDI) as follow: EBSCOhost, CrossRef, DOAJ, Electronic Journals Library (GIGA), National Library of Medicine - NLM, ISI: Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI).

**Conclusions.** The approval for publication once taken by the reviewers, the decision will be communicated in the editorial meeting. Balneo and PRM Research Journal is scientifically supported by the Romanian Association of Balneology and The Romanian Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine and Balneoclimatology.

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