

Journal of Mechanical Ventilation

Conflict of interest (COI) policy

1. Purpose and Scope

The Journal of Mechanical Ventilation (JMV) is committed to maintaining the highest standards of integrity, transparency, and ethical conduct in its editorial and publishing processes. This Conflict of Interest (COI) policy aims to identify, manage, and disclose any potential conflicts that may compromise the objectivity and impartiality of decision-making.

2. Definition of Conflict of Interest

A conflict of interest exists when individuals involved in the publication process—authors, reviewers, editors, and editorial board members—have personal, financial, academic, or professional relationships that may influence their actions, decisions, or judgment in ways that compromise the integrity of the publication process.

3. Disclosure Requirements

All individuals involved in the publication process are required to disclose any potential conflicts of interest at the following stages:

Authors: Must disclose any financial, professional, or personal connections that could be perceived as influencing the research, analysis, or interpretation of results presented in their manuscripts.

Reviewers: Must disclose any conflicts that may affect their ability to provide an unbiased and impartial evaluation of the manuscript.

Editors and Editorial Board Members: Must disclose any conflicts that may influence their decisions regarding the acceptance, rejection, or revision of manuscripts.

4. Handling of Conflicts of Interest

Upon receipt of a disclosure, the editorial office will assess the nature and extent of the disclosed conflict. Depending on the situation, the following actions may be taken:

Authors: Full disclosure of conflicts in the manuscript, acknowledgment in the published article, or, if necessary, withdrawal of the manuscript.

Reviewers: Recusal from the review process if the conflict is significant, and the appointment of an alternative reviewer.

Editors and Editorial Board Members: Recusal from decision-making if a conflict is identified, and the assignment of an alternative editor to handle the manuscript.

5. Confidentiality

All disclosed conflicts of interest will be treated with utmost confidentiality. Only individuals directly involved in the management of conflicts will have access to the information provided, and it will not be disclosed to parties unrelated to the publication process.

6. Review and Updates

This COI policy will be regularly reviewed and updated to ensure it remains aligned with evolving ethical standards and best practices in scholarly publishing.

Contact Information:

For questions or concerns related to conflicts of interest, please contact the Editorial Office at editor@journalmechanicalventilation.com