

Corrections, Retractions, and Duplicate Publication Quiz

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Directions: Publishing correction, retraction, and duplication publication information is a necessary part of the editorial process. Whether these issues are identified by authors, editors, or readers, errors must be corrected in the literature. Sometimes this necessitates a published print correction and in addition to correcting the material online (and PDF) as well. Choose the correct response to the following questions on corrections, retractions, and duplicate publication. Refer to **§5.3-5.9** of the *AMA Manual of Style* for guidance.

1. What is the term for the simultaneous or subsequent reporting of essentially the same information, article, or major components of an article 2 or more times in 1 or more forms of media (either print or electronic format) by 1 or more of the same authors?
 - a. Fabricated data
 - b. Duplicate publication
 - c. Plagiarism
 - d. Scientific misconduct

2. Which of the following is a reason for retraction of an article?
 - a. Fabricated data
 - b. Duplicate publication
 - c. Plagiarism
 - d. All of the above

3. What is the first step an editor should take when duplicate publication is suspected?
 - a. Contact the corresponding author and all coauthors and request a written explanation
 - b. Publish a notice of duplicate publication
 - c. Publish a retraction
 - d. Publish a correction

4. Which of the following can authorize a published retraction of a fabricated, falsified, or plagiarized article?
- Author and coauthors
 - Investigating institution
 - Journal editor
 - All of the above
5. What is the standard course of action for handling libelous material?
- Correction
 - Correction and retraction
 - Removal of content
 - Publication of an apology
6. If the author of a published article fails to disclose a financial interest, a notice of omitted financial disclosure should be published and labeled as what?
- Falsification of credentials
 - Correction
 - Retraction
 - Author misrepresentation

7. Edit the following reference to an article that has been corrected:

JAMA. 2015 Jan 13;313(2):141–2. doi: 10.1001/jama.2014.17323. Race, ethnicity, and the diagnosis of breast cancer. Daly B, Olopade OI. Erratum in: *JAMA*. 2015 Feb 17;313(7):729.

8. Edit the following reference to a retraction notice:

Notice of Retraction [doi:10.1001/archophthalmol.2012.1387] *Arch Ophthalmol*. 2012; 130(7):952: Daniel M. Albert, MD, MS; Howard Bauchner, MD. “A Randomized Clinical Trial of a Single Dose of Ramosetron for the Prevention of Vomiting After Strabismus Surgery in Children: A Dose-Ranging Study” by Fujii Y, Tanaka H, Ito M. Published in *Arch Ophthalmol*. 2005;123[1]:25–28.

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10. Edit the following reference to a notice of duplicate publication:

Notice of Duplicate Publication by Shariat SF, Lamb DJ, Roehrborn CG, Slawin KM. *Arch Intern Med.* 2008;168(18):2046–2047: “Potentially Harmful Effect of a Testosterone Dietary Supplement on Prostate Cancer Growth and Metastasis” by Shariat SF, Lamb DJ, Roehrborn CG, Slawin KM. (*Arch Intern Med.* 2008;168[2]:235-236).

