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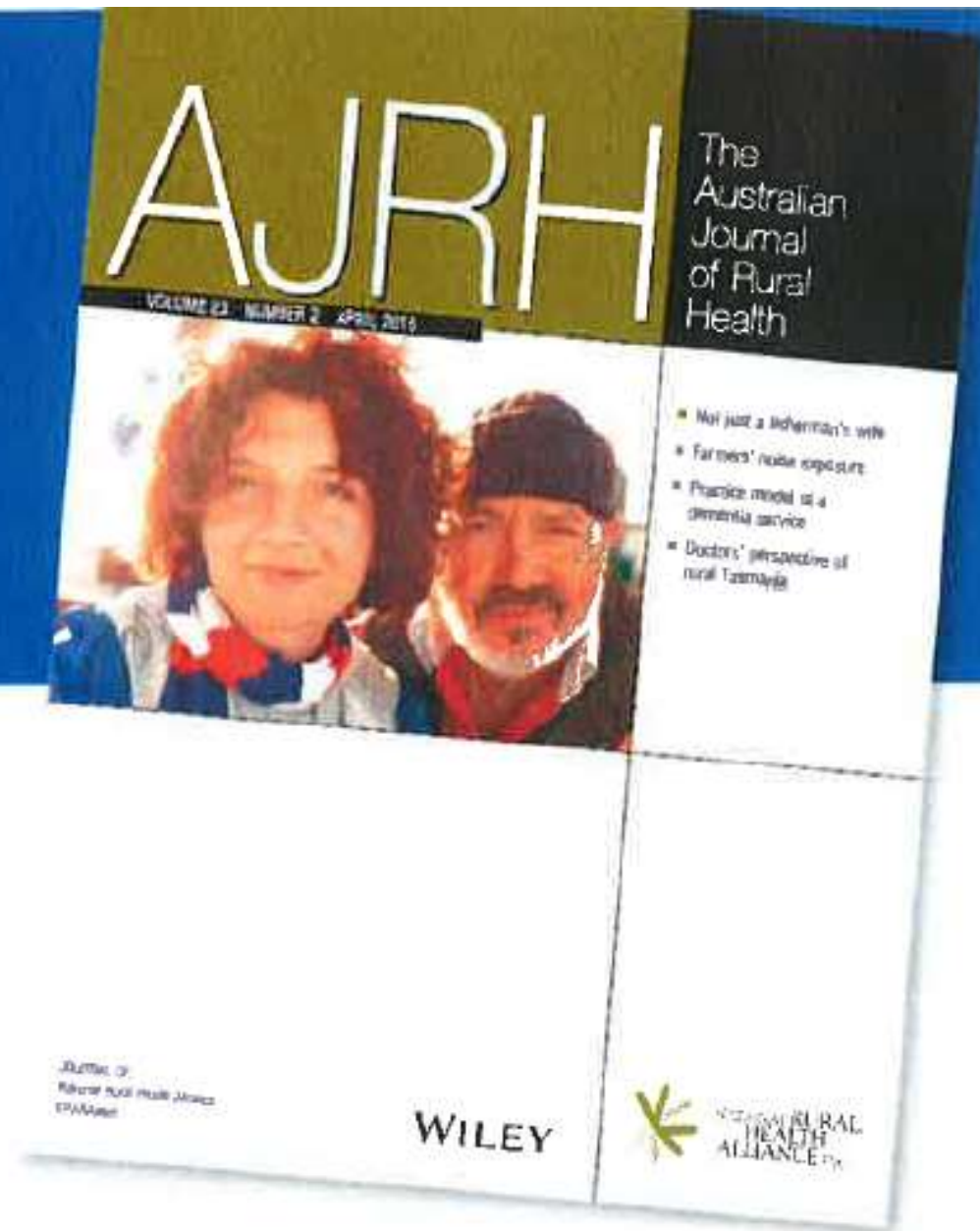
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Aims and scope

AJRH provides high quality original research articles and other material (short reports, book reviews) focused on rural and remote health. The editorial policies of AJRH recognise and support the multi-disciplinary realities of health practice in non-metropolitan areas.



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Writing for Publication

1. Why do I want to publish this paper?
2. How much do I want to publish this paper?
3. What is already known about this subject?
4. What does this paper add?
5. Who do I hope will read my paper?
6. Do I expect them to anything as a result?

Title	Should make sense if you or a librarian were looking for it.
Introduction	Starts with an issue or a problem – why should I care? Summarises what the research says on this subject. Ends with a research question.
Method	Data collection – what we did and why. How we analysed the data. Ethics and approval processes.
Results	Who responded? Who did we interview? What evidence did we find? Describe our most important findings in order. Use appropriate methods to show the power of our findings – qualitative or statistics.

Discussion Summarise the most important finding very briefly – relates to research question.
Say what this paper adds.
Describe the limitations of the study.
What does this study and its findings mean for patients, clinicians, policy makers and researchers?
What key questions remain for care, implementation, policy, research?

Why do papers get turned down for the AJRH?

- 1. Papers are not about rural health.**
- 2. Authors have not realised that this is a general journal.**
- 3. The material is not new; does not add much.**
- 4. The methods are not appropriate; do not support the results.**
- 5. The results do not support the conclusions drawn from them.**
- 6. Poor use of English.**
- 7. Sometimes just bad luck; we have had 10 papers on this issue in the last 3 months.**

Submissions	123
Reviewed	83
Major Revision	37
Minor Revision	17
3 rd revision	24
Desk Rejections	58
Reject after review	7