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# **Anatomical Record**

### □ General Information

\*The Anatomical Record\* is a peer-reviewed journal published by Wiley on behalf of the American Association for Anatomy (AAA). Founded in 1906, it focuses on morphological, developmental, and histological studies in human and comparative anatomy.

- Impact Factor (2024): ~2.0
- Frequency: Monthly
- Access: Hybrid (subscription + open access)
- Publisher: Wiley / American Association for Anatomy

### □ Scope and Relevance

#### Strengths:

- Strong focus on 3D imaging, morphometry, and tissue architecture.
- Useful for research on muscle regeneration, adipose grafting, and neuroanatomical mapping.
- Includes detailed anatomical visualizations for teaching and reference.

#### Limitations:

- Often descriptive rather than mechanistic in nature.
- Clinical relevance is limited unless directly linked to surgical or diagnostic applications.
- Scope includes articles on non-human models or paleontology, which may dilute medical interest.

### □ Scientific Rigor

- High-quality methodological detail, especially in imaging and histology.
- **Statistical analysis** is sometimes minimal or secondary to qualitative descriptions.
- **Peer review process** is consistent, but impact depends heavily on the article's topic and depth.

## ☐ Usefulness for Neurosurgeons

#### Potentially useful for:

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- **Neuroanatomical variability** in skull base, cranial nerves, or spinal anatomy.
- Preclinical models for tissue engineering or nerve repair.
- Educational resources (e.g., 3D reconstructions, anatomical atlases).

#### Less useful for:

- Clinical outcomes, surgical techniques, or evidence-based neurosurgical practice.
- Rapidly evolving fields like neuro-oncology or functional neurosurgery.

### □ Weaknesses □ ■ Weaknesses □ ■ Weaknesses □ ■ Weaknesses □ ■ Weaknesses ■ Weaknesses

- Fragmented scope: spans from fossils to human bioprinting, lacking thematic focus.
- Language clarity varies depending on the author's origin and editorial attention.
- Open-access fees are high (~3000 USD), which limits global accessibility.

## ☐ Comparison Table

Journal	Impact Factor	Primary Focus	Target Audience
*The Anatomical Record*	~2.0	Histology, anatomy, 3D reconstruction	Anatomists, educators
*Journal of Anatomy*	~2.5	Classical and developmental anatomy	Academic researchers
*Clinical Anatomy*	~2.4	Applied and surgical anatomy	Surgeons, clinicians
*Brain Structure and Function*	~4.0	Neuroanatomy and functional mapping	Neuroscientists, neurologists

# ☐ Conclusion

\*The Anatomical Record\* is a respected but mid-tier journal in anatomical sciences. It provides value to researchers in structural biology and educators in anatomy, but it has limited direct utility for high-impact clinical neuroscience or evidence-driven neurosurgery.

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