A scientific publication is a formal written document that presents the results of original research, clinical observations, or theoretical analysis, and is disseminated through peer-reviewed journals, conference proceedings, or other recognized academic platforms.

Core Characteristics

• Structured Format:

Typically follows the IMRaD structure (*Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion*), often including abstract, figures, tables, and references.

• Evidence-Based:

Based on empirical data, experimentation, or rigorous theoretical models.

Peer-Reviewed:

Critically evaluated by subject experts before acceptance.

• Citable and Indexed:

Assigned a **DOI** (Digital Object Identifier) and indexed in databases like PubMed, Scopus, or Web of Science.

• Authorship Accountability:

Authors must adhere to ethical guidelines, disclose conflicts of interest, and ensure transparency.

Types of Scientific Publications

Туре	Description
Original Research	Presents new experimental, clinical, or observational data
Review Article	Summarizes and synthesizes existing literature
Case Report / Case Series	Describes unique or instructive clinical cases
Meta-analysis / Systematic Review	Combines data from multiple studies using rigorous methods
Editorial / Commentary	Provides expert opinion or analysis on current topics
Letter to the Editor	Offers critique, clarification, or brief new findings

Purpose

- Advance scientific and clinical knowledge
- Share reproducible findings
- Inform future research and clinical practice
- Enable peer scrutiny and critical analysis

"A scientific publication is not merely a report — it is a **contribution to the collective body of knowledge**, expected to withstand scrutiny, support reproducibility, and enable future discovery."

The first recurrent publication whose major focus was in the field of neurosurgery was Travaux de Neurologie Chirurgicale, initially published by Chipault in 1896.

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