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SUMMARY STATISTICS ON EDITORIAL DECISION TIMES

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**Mean time to first decision on new submissions (for manuscripts with decisions),**

November 1, 2008–October 31, 2009 59.3 days  
November 1, 2009–October 31, 2010 46.2 days

**Mean time to decision on first revisions,**

November 1, 2008–October 31, 2009 60 days  
November 1, 2009–October 31, 2010 49.1 days

**Mean time to decisions on second revisions,**

November 1, 2008–October 31, 2009 17 days  
November 1, 2009–October 31, 2010 41.9 days

**Percentage of submissions summarily rejected,**

November 1, 2008–October 31, 2009 28.6 percent  
November 1, 2009–October 31, 2010 34.2 percent

**Mean time to decision on summary rejections,**

November 1, 2008–October 31, 2009 4.7 days  
November 1, 2009–October 31, 2010 6.3 days

**Mean number of rounds on accepted manuscripts,**

Journal inception–October 31, 2010 2.3 rounds  
(1.3 revisions)

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*Notes:* The calculation of mean time to first decision on new submissions excludes 37 (out of 222) manuscripts with a pending decision as of October 31, 2010