

Publication of Comments in *Optics Letters*

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We propose to publish comments on papers previously published in *Optics Letters* and have established the following guidelines:

The comment should occupy no more than one journal page (roughly 1000 words), including title, author list, tables, figures, and references. There will be no abstract.

The comment should be substantive and collegial in tone. Polemical comments will be rejected. The main purpose of a comment should be to point out and correct significant errors or deficiencies in *Optics Letters* papers, to clarify or extend the implications of a paper, or to take issue with the conclusions reached. Comments whose primary purpose is to discuss issues of priority or to call attention to oversights in a reference list will generally not be considered publishable.

A comment will not be accepted from one of the authors of the original paper. The purpose of a comment is not to be a vehicle for addenda.

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