



Surname**DNA** Journal

Introducing Surname DNA Journal

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Peer-Reviewed
Genetic Genealogy
Journal

www.surnamedna.com



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Founding

- Conceived at Fall 2012 FTDNA Conference in Houston
- First Article: Jan 6, 2013
- Surname DNA Journal was established to provide a peer-review publication process in the field of genetic genealogy
- Commitment to rapid action using information technology to automate the workflow of peer review, publication, and distribution.

2013 Highlights

- Y-DNA of the British Monarchy
- Using Y Chromosome DNA Testing to Pinpoint a Genetic Homeland in Ireland
- Ancestral Parish Sampling in Ulster and Wexford

The screenshot shows the Surname DNA Journal website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Articles, Authors, Reviewers, Register, About, and Contact. A search bar is located on the right side of the navigation bar. The main content area features several articles and sections:

- Dynasties 1603-2013**: A table listing various dynasties and their associated surnames, including Mountbatten, Hannover, Windsor, and Stuart.
- Y-DNA of the British Monarchy**: A featured article with a blue background. The text reads: "A review was made of existing genetic genealogy findings that infer characteristics of the Y-DNA of members of the British Monarchy. Nine sustained Y-DNA lineages since the year 927 CE were noted as dynastic [...]"
- Peer-Reviewed Journal**: A section describing the journal's focus on peer-reviewed articles on genetic genealogy using DNA to trace migration and distribution of mankind and especially surnames. It includes a "Call for Papers" link.
- Genetic Genealogy Story Blogs**: A section stating that the journal also hosts informative but less technical accounts of genetic genealogy as blog entries. It encourages users to contact the Story Editor if they have a story about their own family.
- Calling All Surname DNA Projects**: A section inviting users to submit their original research on a particular surname and especially using DNA with it, for publication with SurnameDNA.com.
- Educational Links**: A section providing resources on recruiting participants for genetic genealogy studies and analyzing the data.
- Recent Posts**: A list of recent posts, including "Genetic Genealogy Ireland 2013 Conference", "The Irish Septs", and "Call for Papers on Surname DNA Research".

At the bottom of the page, there is a section for the "Genetic Genealogy Ireland 2013 Conference" held on October 16, 2013.

Call for Papers

- Suggested Topics
 - DNA Sample Collection from Ancestral Geographies to Trace Dispersal Patterns
 - DNA Sampling of Famous Families / Lineages
 - Solving Historical Mysteries Through the Use of Genetic Genealogy Research
 - New Analytical Techniques in Genetic Genealogy
- Submit material to editor@surnamedna.com

For Authors

- No Fees, Open Access for readers
- You retain your copyright
- Published on Completion of Reviews
 - Prompt Review & Publication
 - Not delayed by others' work
- No Formatting
 - Formatting performed by the web platform



Publishing Cost Comparison

	Nature	PLoS ONE	Surname DNA Journal
Author's Fee	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,350	Free
Reader's Fee	\$ 199 per yr	Free	Free
Rejection Rate	92%	30%	-

What is Peer-Reviewed

- Critical review prior to publication by persons with scientific interest in the field of genetic genealogy
 - Shared Data
 - Independently Verifiable
 - Based on Evidence not Argument
- Review Philosophy
 - A keen eye and an encouraging tone.
 - *“What will genetic genealogists think about this paper and my review of it 50 years in the future?”*
 - see www.surnamedna.com for more details for Authors and Reviewers on

Who Are the Reviewers?

- Reviews are typically solicited from persons with knowledge and study of one or more pertinent aspects of the paper submitted.
 - DNA Project Administrators
 - Authors of Previous Papers / Books
 - especially those used as a Reference in the submitted paper



Peer Review Process

Author

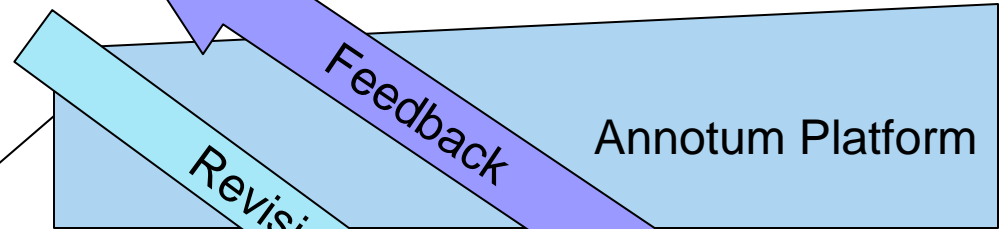


Author
Submission

Editor

Topic Review

Reviewer Assignment



Feedback

Revisions

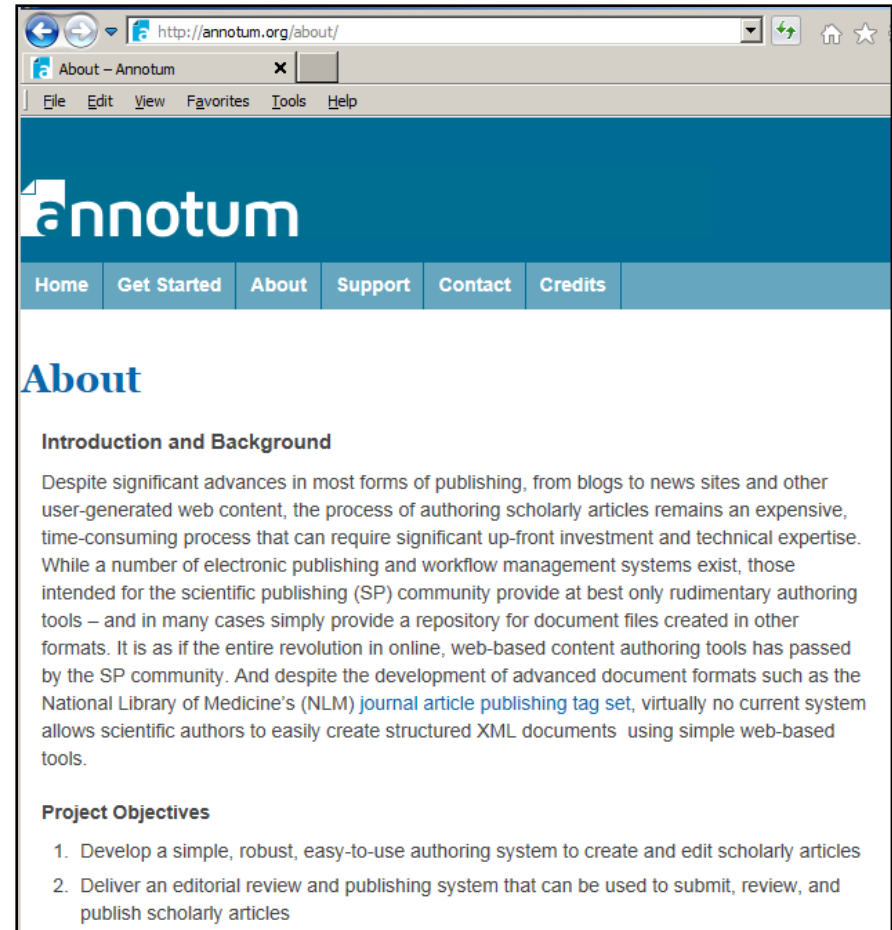
Publication



Reviewers

Annotum Platform

- Automated reviews and peer correspondence for WordPress publishing
- Customized for Surname DNA Journal:
 - Responsive Sizing
 - Anonymous Peer Review



Responsive Layout for Mobile

- Content automatically resizes screen width based on size of user's device
 - iPhone 5 portrait: 320 pixels
 - iPad Mini landscape: 768 pixels
 - iPad: 1000 pixels
 - PC / Mac: 1200 pixels
- Zoomable on Device



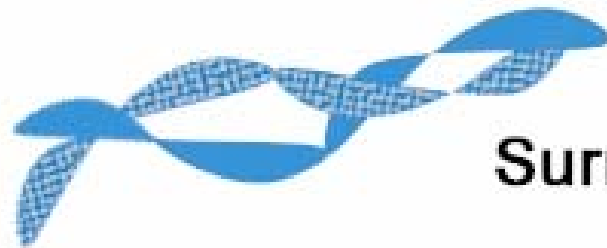
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