

Editorial Rejection by "CELL"

Title: "The dynein regulatory complex is the nexin link and a major node in the regulatory system of cilia and flagella"

Author(s): Heuser et al.

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Dear Dr. Nicastro,

Thank you for submitting your paper to Cell. I have now read the manuscript, and have discussed it with other members of the Cell editorial team. I'm sorry to inform you that we all feel publication would be as appropriate in another journal. Although your findings on the 3D structure of the DRC will be of interest for the field, unfortunately we feel that your manuscript as such does not represent a sufficient advance to justify its consideration in Cell rather than in another journal.

I should explain, however, that this decision is not intended to suggest any criticism of the data; nor does it imply a lack of interest on our part in this topic generally or your work in particular. Rather this decision reflects the scope of Cell and the intense pressure for space in the journal. Constraints of space make it impossible for Cell to publish all the submitted papers that are of high quality and interest in the field they represent. The present number of submissions is several times greater than the number of papers that could be published (and is indeed greater than the number that could be carefully reviewed). For this reason, we are compelled to make a preliminary selection of manuscripts at the stage of submission, before review. When it seems that a paper might in principle equally well be published elsewhere, we try to avoid unnecessary delays by returning the manuscript without detailed review. We believe that in such cases it is in the best interests of the author, the reviewers, and the journal to indicate immediately that there is a high probability that reviewers would recommend against publication in Cell.

I am sorry that I cannot be more positive at this time. However, I hope that you will continue to consider Cell for future manuscript submissions.

Best wishes,

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Scientific Editor, Cell