

RASSEGNA DI PSICOLOGIA

Article types

The Editorial Board of **Rassegna di Psicologia** considers for publication:

- (a) Research Articles
- (b) Reviews of the literature
- (c) Brief reports
- (d) Case Reports
- (e) Letters on significant issues
- (f) Comments and Responses
- (g) Replications
- (h) Instruments and procedures for psychological research

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