Call for Papers
Special Section of Journal Emerging Technologies in Accounting
Future Labs: New Methodologies, New Methodological Applications, and Multi-Methodologies

The Journal of Emerging Technologies in Accounting (JETA) is the academic journal of the Strategic and Emerging Technologies Section of the American Accounting Association. JETA’s mission is to encourage, support and disseminate the production of a stream of high-quality research focused on emerging technologies and artificial intelligence applied or applicable to a wide set of accounting related problems. In 2022, JETA will publish a special section entitled “Future Labs: New Methodologies, New Methodological Applications, and Multi-Methodologies.” The editor of JETA invites submissions of original unpublished work for this special section.

The theme of this special section of JETA is encouraging rapid exploration and development of research initiatives with an emphasis on research methodologies. There are three types of research that are of interest: (1) using new methodologies used in new research domains, (2) applying existing technologies to research domains where they have not typically been applied, and (3) using a combination of research methods to study a new or existing research area. Inspired by Lockheed Martin’s famous Skunk Works (origin story), we seek to encourage quick development of prototype research studies in accounting and emerging technologies. We can now announce that Future Labs has become a permanent section of JETA with an evolved process. Calls for papers continue to start with proposal papers that outline a research project. These papers will receive a fast review (30 days or fewer) and revision process. Accepted proposals are published in the Future Labs section of JETA. But now JETA will accept the developed proposals (full paper) in its Fast Track publication stream. Full papers will be published using this Fast Track process.

Initial proposals are limited to 4 to 5 single-spaced pages of text excluding references, tables, and figures. Review will be by a panel of academics who will provide initial feedback on the ideas, methods, practical implications, and references of the papers. There will be only a limited revision process. The purpose is to get new and novel research proposals into the public sphere in a rapid manner to influence further development of emerging technologies in accounting. Submissions are due by January 31, 2022. Early submission is encouraged. Please clearly state that your submission is for consideration for publication in the Future Labs special section on Methodologies.


Suggested format:
- Some literature review/development of the research question.
- Contribution/added value of the project to stakeholders, which stakeholders, and why JETA readers should be interested.
- Description of the research methodology and why it "works" for the project.
- A fairly full description of the research idea, including hypotheses, research questions, and design artifacts appropriate to the research methodology.
- Next steps in the process of developing the project.
Nothing in the Future Labs draft should be so developed that it would be quoted verbatim in the final article. The review panel will be giving substantive direction to the proposal to make the final project/paper into a unique contribution in full form. Comparison of the first Future Labs version to the final full paper version should be a learning exercise to students/researchers who study both. The exercise is how to develop a project in emerging technologies in accounting.

What will not be accepted:
   1. Literature review only.
   2. Completed paper.
   3. Papers lacking methodology or project deliverables or dealing with subjects outside of the emerging technologies domain.

If you have any questions, please contact the editor of the special section: Professor Rob Nehmer nehmer@oakland.edu, or the JETA editorial office at JETA@aaahq.org.