

## Introduction of subdivisions

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For all manuscripts currently in production our publisher, Springer, has arranged that their corrections team adds a query in proof to these articles that the authors shall assign one of the nine new categories to their original articles and mark this as correction. Reviews and Mini-Reviews are excepted, of course.

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