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**SPREADSHEET ERRORS AND GOVERNANCE**

The *Journal of Organizational and End User Computing* is seeking original research focused on spreadsheet errors and governance. Empirical research has shown that spreadsheets no longer are small and simple personal productivity applications. Instead, many spreadsheets are enormous, complex, and, most importantly, deeply embedded into complex mission-critical corporate processes. Despite strong evidence that a large majority of all spreadsheets have material errors ([http://panko.shidler.hawaii.edu/ssr/](http://panko.shidler.hawaii.edu/ssr/)) and that a lack of governance can have disastrous consequences, corporate governance for spreadsheets has been almost nonexistent.

We welcome theoretical and empirical research into spreadsheet errors and error reduction, including controlled experiments of commission and detection, field audits of corporate spreadsheets, and studies of the safety and effectiveness of prescriptions for reducing or detecting spreadsheet errors. Theoretical contributions normally should be informed by human error theory, and empirical studies should use methodologies informed by theory. We also welcome research on efforts to train end user developers to avoid and detect errors. We are especially interested in the underdeveloped research areas of qualitative errors, human-computer interaction design, and governance during operational use.

We also welcome contributions on spreadsheet governance, including case studies of how spreadsheets are used and governed in specific organizations, surveys of developer practices, surveys of corporate policies, and discussions of governance issues and governance technologies.

We also welcome other methodologically sound research into spreadsheet errors and governance.


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