# **Instructions for Authors**

#### **Submission of an Article**

Submitted articles should have a 300 words summary/abstract, separate from the main text. The summary should provide a brief account of the work by clearly stating the purpose of the study and the methodology adopted, highlighting major findings briefly. The text may contain a few short subheadings of no more than 40 characters each.

# **Article Preparation Guidelines:**

- Authors are expected to attach an electronic covering letter completely mentioning the type of
  manuscript (e.g., Research article, Review articles, Brief Reports, Case study etc.) Unless
  invited on a special case, authors cannot classify a particular manuscript as Editorials or
  Letters to the editor or concise communications.
- Confirm that each individual named as an author meets the uniform requirements of the Journal of Expert Opinion on Environmental Biology criteria for authorship.
- Please make sure that the article submitted for review/publication is not under consideration elsewhere simultaneously.
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- Number all sheets in succession, including references, tables, and figure legends.
- Title page is page 1. On the first page, type the running head (short title for top of each page), title (which cannot include any acronyms), names of the authors and their academic degrees, grants or other financial supporters of the study, address for correspondence and reprint requests, and corresponding author's telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address.

# **Guidelines**

#### **Research Articles**

 Research articles are articles written based on the empirical/secondary data collected using a clearly defined research methodology, where conclusion/s is drawn from the analysis of the data collected.

- The information must be based on original research that adds to the body of knowledge in Environmental research.
- Article/s should provide a critical description or analysis of the data presented while adding new and rapidly evolving areas in the field.
- Include an abstract of maximum 300 words with 7 to 10 important keywords.
- The abstract should be divided into Objective, Methods, Results, and Conclusion.
- Research articles must adhere to a format constituting the introduction followed by a brief
  review of relevant literature, methodology applied (to collect the data), discussion and
  References, Tables, and Figure Legends.

#### **Review Articles**

- Review articles are written based mostly on secondary data that is falling in line with the theme of the journal.
- They are brief, yet critical discussions on a specific aspect of the subject concerned. Reviews
  generally start with the statement of the problem with a brief abstract of 300 words and few
  key words.
- Introduction generally brings the issue forward to the readers followed by analytical discussion with the help of necessary tables, graphs, pictures and illustrations wherever necessary.
- It summarizes the topic with a conclusion. All the statements or observations in the review
  articles must be based on necessary citations, providing complete reference at the end of the
  article.

## Acknowledgement

This section includes acknowledgment of people, grant details, funds, etc.

## References

- Only published or accepted manuscripts should be included in the reference list. Meetings
  abstracts, conference talks, or papers that have been submitted but not yet accepted should not
  be cited. All personal communications should be supported by a letter from the relevant
  authors.
- SciTechnol uses the numbered citation (citation-sequence) method. References are listed and numbered in the order that they appear in the text. In the text, citations should be indicated by the reference number in brackets. Multiple citations within a single set of brackets should be separated by commas. A range should be given where there are three or more sequential citations.
- Example: "... now enable biologists to simultaneously monitor the expression of thousands of genes in a single experiment [1, 5-7, 28]." Make sure the parts of the manuscript are in the

- correct order for the relevant journal before ordering the citations. Figure captions and tables should be at the end of the manuscript.
- Authors are requested to provide at least one online link for each reference as following (preferably PubMed).

#### **Tables**

- These should be used at a minimum and designed as simple as possible. We strongly encourage authors to submit tables as .doc format.
- Tables are to be typed double-spaced throughout, including headings and footnotes. Each
  table should be on a separate page, numbered consecutively in Arabic numerals and supplied
  with a heading and a legend.
- Tables should be self-explanatory without reference to the text. Preferably, the details of the methods used in the experiments should be described in the legend instead of in the text. The same data should not be presented in both table and graph form or repeated in the text.
- Cells can be copied from an Excel spread sheet and pasted into a word document, but Excel files should not be embedded as objects.

**Note:** If the submission is in PDF format, the author is requested to retain the same in .doc format in order to aid in completion of process successfully.

## **Figures**

- The preferred file formats for photographic images are .doc, TIFF and JPEG. If you have created images with separate components on different layers, please send us the Photoshop files.
- All images MUST be at or above intended display size, with the following image resolutions:
   Line Art 800 dpi, Combination (Line Art + Halftone) 600 dpi, Halftone 300 dpi. See the
   Image quality specifications chart for details. Image file must be cropped as close to the
   actual image as possible.
- Use Arabic numerals to designate figures and upper case letters for their parts (Figure 1).
- Begin each legend with a title and include sufficient description so that the figure is understandable without reading the text of the manuscript. Information given in legends should not be repeated in the text.

Figure legends should be typed in numerical order on a separate sheet.

## **Tables and Equations as Graphics**

If equations cannot be encoded in MathML, submit them in TIFF or EPS format as discrete files (i.e., a file containing only the data for one equation). Only when tables cannot be encoded as XML/SGML they can be submitted as graphics. If this method is used, it is critical that the font size in all equations and tables is consistent and legible throughout all submissions.

• Suggested Equation Extraction Method

- Table Specifications
- Equation Specifications