

Instructions for Authors

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Manuscript Submission

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Title Page

1. From the top, 1) the title, 2) name(s) of author (s), and 3) the affiliations should be listed.

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English Abstract

1. From the top, the same information as that listed on the Title Page should be written in English. The first characters of all names must be capitalized.
2. The text must include research objectives, methods, results and conclusion.
3. The abstract should be prepared using a word processor on A4 sized paper, and should be approximately 350 words (including the title, the author(s) and affiliations).
4. In principle, an English abstract should be proofread at the author's own expense.
5. Key words should be listed in lower-case letters at the end of the English Abstract.
6. Five or fewer key words, which clearly describe the topic of the manuscript, should be selected and listed in decreasing order of importance

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1. The summary should provide research objectives, methods, results and conclusion, briefly, i.e. within 600 characters.
2. Key words should be listed at the end of the Summary.
3. Key words should carry the identical context in the same order as the Key words of the English Abstract. Idiomatic expressions and terms that are difficult to translate into Japanese can be shown in the original language, but adequate Japanese should be employed whenever possible.

Ethics

1. When reporting a study on humans, it is required to clearly indicate that “informed consent was obtained from the subjects/patients”, “approval was received from the Ethics Committee of the affiliated institutions”, and such, in accordance with the Helsinki Declaration.
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4. When reporting a study on epidemiological research, it should be in accordance with the “Ethical Guidelines for Epidemiological Research” (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Notification No. 2, dated June 17, 2002). Also, it should be described for publication after careful consideration of the impact on the human rights of all research subjects and the communities they belong to.
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<Main Reference Research Guidelines>

“Ethics Guidelines for Human Genome/ Gene Analysis Research “

(Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry Notification No.1 in 2004)

“Ethical Guidelines for Clinical Research on Gene Therapy Clinical Research”

(Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Notification No. 1 in 2002)

“Ethical Guidelines for Epidemiological Research”

(Ministry of Education, Culture, sports, Science and Technology, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Notification No. 2 in 2002)

“Ethical Guidelines for Clinical Studies”

(Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Notification No. 255 in 2003)

Text

1. Manuscripts should be organized in the order of “Introduction”, “Materials and Methods”, “Results”, “Conclusion and Discussion” or “Conclusion” and “Discussion”. Case reports may

be organized in the order of “Introduction”, “Case” and “Discussion”.

2. Manuscripts should be written in printed style Hiragana (contemporary Japanese syllabic writing) horizontally. Except in special cases, such as academic jargon, “kanji for general use” should be used. Arabic numbers should be used to present numerals.

3. Headings are, in most cases, shown as 1, 2, 3, ..., 1), 2), 3), ..., (1), (2), (3), ... or A, B, C, ... a, b, c, ..., a), b), c), ..., (a), (b), (c), ... in this order. Two systems can be mixed, as needed. However, wording for headings, such as chapters, sections and clauses should not be used.

4. When writing in western languages, personal names, proper nouns, abbreviations and the words customarily capitalized should be started with a capital letter. The first letter of the first word of a sentence should also start with a capital letter, but leave the rest lower case letters.

5. In the text, terms such as proper nouns, names of chemical substances and chemicals, less commonly used, should be written in the original language. Nomenclature, such as for organisms should be italicized (e.g. *Streptococcus mutans*) in accordance with the binary nomenclature rule, but when used frequently, nomen genericum may be abbreviated (e.g. *S. mutans*) from the second use onward.

6. Only internationally recognized abbreviations and brevity codes should be used. In principle, SI units should be used to denote units, in accordance with the symbols below.

SI prefix, denoting a multiple of the original unit, such as 10^9 , 10^6 , 10^3 , 10^{-3} , 10^{-6} , 10^{-9} and 10^{-12} are shown as G, M, k, m, μ , n and p, respectively. Symbols of units do not require a period (.) or “s” for plurals.

Length	nm, μ m, mm, cm, m, km	Gravity acceleration	g
Area	mm^2 , cm^2 , m^2 , km^2	Pressure, stress	Pa, hPa, MPa
Capacity (liquid, gas)	μ l, ml, dl, l, m^3	Current	μ A, mA, A, kA
Capacity	mm^3 , cm^3	Power voltage	μ V, mV, V, kV

(solid) Mass	pg, µg, mg, g, kg	Electric resistance, impedance	mΩ, Ω, kΩ, MΩ
Mass of substance	mmol, mol	Power, electric power	µW, mW, W
Concentration, ratio	% (mass percentage), wt %, vol%, ppb, ppm, µg/ml, mg/ml, g/ml, mg/l, g/l, mmol/l, mol/l, mg/kg, pH(hydrogen-ion concentration) (Refrain from using mM, M, N where possible to avoid confusion with M[mega], N[Newton])	Frequency Electric charge Capacitance Inductance Radiation dose	Hz, kHz, MHz mC, C pF, µF, mF, F µH, mH, H
Density	g/ml (liquid, gas), g/cm ³ (solid)	Radioactivity	mBq, Bq, kBq, MBq, GBq
Time	second (in Japanese), minute (in Japanese), hour (in Japanese), day (in Japanese) or ms, s, min, h, d	Absorbed dose	µGy, mGy, Gy, kGy, MGy
Angle	rad, " (second), ' (minute), ° (degree)	Radiation dose	µC/kg, mC/kg, C/kg, kC/kg, MC/kg
Temperature, temperature difference	K, °C		
Work, Energy	J, cal, kcal	Dose equivalent	µSv, mSv, Sv, kSv, MSv

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Other symbols

- 1) Monovalent, divalent or trivalent cations are, respectively, written ⁺, ²⁺, ³⁺ as a superscript to the right of an atomic symbol or atomic chart.
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- 4) A hyphen (-) denotes high-energy bond in a chemical structural formula.
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- 2) Okada^{1,2)}... (in case of 2 consecutive reference numbers)
- 3) Sano¹⁻¹⁰⁾... (in case of 3 or more consecutive reference numbers)
- 4) The reported results...¹⁻¹⁰⁾.
- 5) As Ando et al. (1983)¹¹⁾ indicated,
- 6) It is considered to...^{1,3)}, but
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