

Code of ethics for authors

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The future of science in general and scientific spheres of publication depends largely not only on compliance with laws and regulations, but also on the principles of ethics and scientific relations between the participants of the publishing community. This is the guarantee of increasing number of qualitative scientific publications, as well as the successful development of mutual cooperation of authors, publishers and readers of scientific publications. The common experience of ethical behavior is collected in one document – the Code of ethics of scientific publications (hereinafter the Code), developed by the ethics committee of scientific publications.

Key terms:

The Code of Ethics of Scientific Publications combines and reveals general principles and rules that should be followed by the participants of the process of scientific publications: authors, reviewers, editors, publishers, distributors and readers.

Author is a person or a group of persons (group of authors) involved in publishing research findings.

Plagiarism is an intentional appropriation of authorship of somebody's science or art works, ideas or inventions. Plagiarism may be a violation of copyright law and patent law and may entail legal liability.

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- The author must notify the Editorial board of the journal if he/she finds significant errors or inaccuracies in the article while it is considered or after its publication.

The Code of Ethics of Scientific Publications was developed and approved by the Ethics Committee of Scientific Publications.

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