Instructions for Authors

Journal of Japanese Society of Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Management

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1. Author Requirements

- First authors must be members of the Japanese Society of Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Management. If non-members are included in the list of authors, an additional submission fee of ¥5,000 per non-member shall be paid at the time of submission, unless they were invited to submit articles by the Editorial Board.
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- 1) Decisions on the acceptance or rejection of a submitted manuscript will be made by the editorial board.
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- 6) Regarding 5), this does not apply to papers invited by the Editorial Board.

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Following types of manuscript may be submitted:

- Review article: A comprehensive overview and discussion of an academic circumstance regarding a particular subject, based on a diverse collection of both domestic and overseas research findings and a review of the relevant literature.
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- (6) Others (practice reports, commentaries, abstracts of the scientific meetings, etc.)

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After the manuscript is accepted for publication, the authors must sign the "Pledge and Consent Form" as described below and send it to the office with the manuscript that has been proofread by the authors.

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- 1) Research that requires the agreement and cooperation of another party, research that requires consideration for the handling of personal information, and research that requires efforts regarding bioethics and safety measures must comply with the laws, regulations, and guidelines related to the research, and must be approved by the ethics committee of the institution to which the researcher belongs or its equivalent.
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The maximum length for each type of manuscript (including text, references, and tables/figures) is shown below: Review article: 16,000 words Original article: 12,000 words Short communication: 10,000 words Case report: 4,000 words Committee report: 8,000 words Others: 4,000 words

7. Submission of papers

Refer to the online submission guidelines provided on the Membership page of the society's website.

If you have any questions, please contact the following office: Office of the Japanese Society of Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Management (E-mail: etwoc@shunkosha.com)

Supplementary provisions

These regulations shall come into effect as of November 6, 2009. Revisions to these regulations shall come into effect as of February 1, 2018. Revisions to these regulations shall come into effect as of January 28, 2019. Revisions to these regulations shall come into effect as of September 30, 2022.