

Instructions for Authors (GCR)

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Title Page

Title Page MUST include Title, Authors' Information (including Name, Affiliation, Emails, ORCID and short Biography (not obligatory), Authors' contribution), addresses (indicate corresponding author please), Abstract (At most 300 words) and Keywords (no more than 8).

First letters of Title words (first section if the title contains two parts) and the *First letters of Keywords* must be capitalized. **The Keywords are separated by a Comma “,”**

Main Body

Divide the main text into headings without numbers: Introduction, Literature Review, Method, Result, Discussion, Conclusion, Acknowledgement, Conflict of Interest and References.

Note: Title page and main body should be included in one Word document (docx). (The journal is single bind)

Article Types:

The number of article words should be between 3000-20000 words based on article types:

- Original research
- Review paper
- Short communication
- Book reviews (It can be less than 2000 words)
- Letter to Editor (It can be less than 2000 words)
- Technical reports

Details:

- Manuscripts should be submitted in Word (docx or doc).
- Use a bold font for the main title (14-point Times Roman)
- Use a bold font for headings (12-point Times Roman)
- Use a normal, plain font (12-point Times Roman) for text.

- Line spacing must be 1.5 cm
- Use italics for emphasis.
- Use the automatic page numbering function to number the pages.
- Abbreviations should be defined at first mention and used consistently thereafter.

References & Citation

The list of References should only include works that are cited in the text and opposite. Papers presented at meetings but not yet published or accepted for publication, and unpublished data should only be mentioned in the references e.g. (In press or Accepted). Do not use footnotes or endnotes as a substitute for a reference list.

The reference list should be alphabetical by the last names of the first author of each work. Order multi-author publications of the same first author alphabetically concerning year and then second, and third authors.

* Blue part is optional

The references should be cited in the text by author and year: (Smith 2000), (Smith *et al.* 2005, 2001a, b), (Smith &[or and] Talent 2007), or as a parenthetical expression: (Brown 1999; Brown *et al.* 1976, 1990a, b; Brown &Talent 2000; Ahmadi 1996). For more than two authors, give the first author's name and then "*et al.*".

"&" or "and" between citations are correct

- Journal article

Sliwinski JT, Guillong M, Liebske C, Dunkl I, von Quadt A, Bachmann O (2017). Improved accuracy of LA-ICP-MS U-Pb ages of Cenozoic zircons by alpha dose correction. *Chemical Geology*. 472:8-21.

The names of all authors should be provided, but the usage of "et al" in long author lists will also be accepted

Dinis JL, Oliveira FP, Rey J, *et al.* (2010). Finding geological heritage: Legal issues on private property and fieldwork. The case of outstanding early angiosperms. *Geoheritage*. 2(3-4): 77-99.

- Article by DOI (doi is obligatory)

Kumar V, Chopra AK (2014). Pearl millet (*Pennisetum Glaucum* L.) response after ferti-irrigation with sugar mill effluent in two seasons. *International Journal of Recycling of Organic Waste in Agriculture*. 3(3): 1-13. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40093-014-0067-x>

- Article in Special Issue
To reference an article within a special issue, simply follow the simple format, mentioning the special issue is optional

Benton MJ, Csiki Z, Grigorescu D, Redelstorff R, Sander MP, Stein K, Weishampel DB (2010). Dinosaurs and the island rule: The dwarfed dinosaurs from Hațeg Island [[Special Issue: European island faunas of the Late Cretaceous-The Hațeg Island \(Csiki Z & Benton M.J Eds.\)](#)]. *Paleogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology*. 293: 438-454.

- Conference Paper:

Briggs A (2011). Western Australia on the brink of geoparks. [[In Proceedings of \] 3rd Global Geotourism Conferences \(pp. 1-38\). Oman: Publisher.](#)

*Conference Paper in Regular Proceeding (it is treated as a journal paper)

***The Title of journals must be mentioned in the complete form.**

- Book

Benton MJ, Harper DAT (1997). *Basic palaeontology*. London: Prentice Hall

- Book chapter

Fletcher C (2014). An introduction to geology. In *Physical geology: The science of earth* (2nd Ed, vol x, pp 7-10). New York: Wiley

House MR & Gradstein FM (2004). The Devonian period. In Gradstein F, Ogg J & Smith A (eds), *A Geological Time Scale* (pp. 202–221). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

- Report

Andrews IJ (2013). *The Carboniferous Bowland Shale gas study: Geology and resource estimation*. London, UK: British Geological Survey for Department of Energy and Climate Change.

- Online document

Structural geology (2007, December 20). *Encyclopedia Britannica*.
<https://www.britannica.com/science/structural-geology>. Retrieved October 24, 2017

- Dissertation

Wells D (1929). Notes on the paleontology of the Garrison formation of Kansas. Dissertation, University of Kansas.

- Translated source

Waltham AC (2000). Foundation of engineering geology. (Translator A Ghazifard & N Emami, Trans.). London: Blackie Academic (Original work published Year 1997).

Note: If the text is in a non-Latin alphabet, this must be translated into the language of the paper and the language of the paper must be mentioned at the end of the references.

Rahimzadeh B, Masoudi F, Ranjbar S (2014). Characterization of bubbles and their formation during the eruption of Damavand volcano scoria. Scientific Quarterly Journal Geosciences. 23(92):11-12. (in Persian)

- Geological Map

Leveridge BE, Scrivener RC, Goode AJJ, Merriman RJ (2003). Geology of the Torquay district, Sheet description of the British Geological Survey. 1:50 000, Sheet 350 Torquay (England and Wales): British Geological Survey.

Doe JK, Smith AB (1999). Geologic map of the XYZ Quadrangle. 1:24 000. The Geological Survey, Map M-123 (Part A).

Figures & Tables

Figures and tables must be cited in consecutive order in the text, *e.g.*, (Fig. 1A, B), (Fig. 1A–D), (Table 1), (Figs. 1C, 2, 3B).

Figures Captions must be included at the end of the article with a title and legend. All figures must be submitted as separate files. The position of figures in the text shall be indicated. Figures (including diagram and photos) should be sharp and of high contrast with the quality resolution. Figures should be saved as JPEG or TIFF images at a resolution of 300–600 dpi and tightly cropped. Figures labels (**A, B, C, etc.**) should be capitalized and assigned consecutively from left to right and from top to bottom. Views with the same letter and use subscript numerical notation (**A1, A2, A3, etc.**).

Tables, which should be in a plain format, are numbered and include a definitive title at the top. Table footnotes may be used to define abbreviations, signs, or other terminology within the table. Tables must appear in the main body text.

The first letter of figures' captions and tables' titles must be capitalized.

Example:

Figure 3. **T**he upper part of a composite stratigraphic column of the Mesozoic rocks...A)..... .B).....

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Copyright Letter

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