

Contribution Rules for Membrane magazine

1. Requirements for contributions

Membership of the Membrane Society of Japan is not a prerequisite for submission of research articles. However, for submissions by Japanese correspondents, the author should be a member of the society.

2. Acceptance of papers

Papers will be reviewed by members of the Editorial Committee or reviewers who have been selected for their competence/expertise in the subject matter of the submitted paper. Acceptance of the submitted paper will be judged according to scientific merit and suitability for the Journal.

3. Copyright

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4. Types and format of papers

Papers include: full papers, technical papers, short communications, rapid communications, review articles, perspective articles, lecture notes and product spotlights. Review articles, perspective articles, lecture notes should be provided at the request of the Editorial Committee.

4.1. Full papers

- 1) Full papers are formal presentations of unpublished original research on membranes.
- 2) Generally, they will consist of a maximum of eight printed pages. All manuscripts should be presented on A4 paper double spaced with 18 lines. The maximum number of typed pages is 24, including the title of the paper, abstract, abbreviations, literature cited, figures, tables and photographs. Each figure, table and photograph is equivalent to one typed page. Printed pages should not exceed eight.

4.2. Technical papers

- 1) Technical papers should include innovative data

and significant advancements in membrane technology.

- 2) Manuscripts should be prepared in accordance with the format of full papers.

4.3. Short communications

- 1) Short communications are by definition short, but should contain new and scientifically valuable data and facts.
- 2) Manuscripts should be prepared in accordance with the format of full papers. The maximum number of typed pages should not exceed 18 including the title of the paper, abstract, abbreviations, literature cited, figures, tables and photographs. Printed pages should not exceed six.

4.4. Rapid communications

- 1) Rapid communications are brief reports of original research on membranes which have produced remarkable result and require prompt publication.
- 2) Manuscripts should be prepared in accordance with the format of full papers. The maximum number of the typed pages should not exceed 12 including the title of the paper, abstract, abbreviations, literature cited, figures, tables and photographs. Printed pages should not exceed four.

4.5. Selected authors will be commissioned to submit Review Articles, Perspective Articles, Lecture Notes and Product Spotlights by the Editorial Committee.

5. Manuscript preparation

5.1. Title and name (s) of author (s)

At the beginning of the manuscript, the title of the paper, the author's name in full, the name of the place where the research was conducted (the name and address of the institution) should be included.

5.2. Main text

The Main text should contain the following sections: Introduction, Experimental Results and Discussion.

5.3. Tables, figures and photographs

Tables should be typed on separate sheets. Figures should be of high quality, black print on a white background. Photographs should be glossy print with sharp contrast. Should the author (s) require color photographs to be included with their article, they will be charged for any additional printing costs incurred.

5.4. Symbols

Subscripts, and superscripts are accepted, but using

additional subscripts or superscripts on top of them to further annotate these symbols is not allowed.

5.5. Literature cited

Literature cited should appear at the end of the paper. Each source listed in the text should be accompanied by numbers with superscript. Information should be provided as in the following examples:

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5.6. Summaries

Summaries should not exceed 200 words for full papers and technical papers, and 50 words for short and rapid communications. Key words are required and should not exceed 5 words. Each key word should be clearly separated from other words with a backslash (/).

6. Proof-readings and reprints

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galley proofs have been sent to the Editorial Committee of Membrane.

7. Submitting manuscripts

Both MS Word drafts and PDF files of a manuscript should be submitted by e-mail addressed to: membrane@mua.biglobe.ne.jp. Should author (s) prefer to submit a hard copy, one original and three copies should be sent with both a cover letter and a digital manuscript file (CD or floppy disk) to the Editorial Committee of the journal at the address listed below. Manuscripts should be prepared using Windows or Macintosh OS. In addition, it is desirable that manuscripts should be made using our template file, since in that way the format of the printed pages can be confirmed. (A template file for camera-ready format is available at the web-site at http://www.maku-jp.org/template_Maku.doc)

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