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Editorial

Improve publishing procedures of Biophysics and Physicobiology

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From October 2021, publishing procedures of the Biophysics and Physicobiology (BPPB) are improved for rapid publication of every accepted article, and for reduction of the publication cost that the authors have to pay. The details are described in the updated "Instruction for Authors" on the web page of the BPPB [1] and only the outline is presented here.

After the Editor-in-Charge accepts publication of the individual article, the authors submit their manuscript as the final post-print form using the Template that can be downloaded from the web page of "Instruction for Authors". The authors may submit their manuscript by using the Template even at the first submission procedure before reviewing. The submission site with S1M (ScholarOne Manuscripts) system [2] will automatically convert their manuscript to the PDF file, but if the converted PDF file is incorrect, the authors are requested to provide their own PDF file, which the authors construct by themselves. The publication office adds some information on the PDF file, such as the new DOI of the article, and the received and accepted dates. The publication office makes no particular type setting, as far as the authors prepare and submit the final post-print form using the Template by themselves. For proof reading, the authors are requested only to confirm the PDF file with some information added by the publication office.

The above procedures could greatly reduce the publication time and cost, once the post-print form is prepared by the authors. For preparing the post-print form using the Template without complicated rules, the style of articles is changed as follows:

(1) Double column setting is changed to single column setting

(2) The bibliographic style of the Reference list is slightly changed without using "italic" or "bold-face" fonts

(3) From Volume 19 published in 2022, each article is identified by the newly introduced "Article ID", not by page numbers.

(4) E-mail address of the corresponding author is not always necessary. Instead, the ORCID iD [3] should be always indicated.

(5) The authors are always requested to submit "Graphical Abstract" except for articles in the category of "Editorial" or "Commentary and Perspective"

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Finally, we will always make our best to publish the BPPB, and would highly appreciate your cooperation with us.

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