

# “Earozeru Kenkyu” Information for Authors

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## 1. General rules

- 1.1 *Earozeru Kenkyu* publishes papers containing valuable facts or conclusions as well as general articles that are useful for members, such as reviews and materials in various fields related to aerosols.
- 1.2 At least one author of the submitted manuscript must be a member of the Japan Association of Aerosol Science and Technology (JAAST), unless otherwise approved by the Editorial Board.
- 1.3 Copyright of papers and general articles appearing in the Journal shall follow the JAAST copyright rule provided separately.

## 2. Type of manuscripts

- 2.1 There are 6 categories of original papers: research papers, technical papers, review papers, letters, notes, and discussions. These papers must not have been published in any academic publication nor be under consideration for publication elsewhere (except for patent publication publicity, public notice gazettes, dissertations and technical reports, proceedings of conferences, workshops, and international meetings, and community-recognized preprint servers). Original papers may also be published as “Feature Articles” (except for letters, notes and discussions).
  - 2.1.1 Research papers  
Reports of research whose target, method and/or results are original and creative and contain valuable facts or conclusions.
  - 2.1.2 Technical papers  
Reports of data that have practical value related to aerosol or technical research and reviews of new technology.
  - 2.1.3 Review papers  
Review reports of previous research in a specific research or technology, consolidation and discussion based on original perspectives and reports containing and valuable analytical results, concepts and other information.
  - 2.1.4 Letters  
Reports of creative research containing valuable facts or conclusions, especially those requiring immediate publication (details are expected to be submitted as a research paper or technical paper at a later date).
  - 2.1.5 Notes  
Notes are short but complete papers containing valuable facts or conclusions even if they are fragmentary information.
  - 2.1.6 Discussions  
Questions and answers in the journal on content of published original papers.
- 2.2 Feature articles  
Logical explanations on recent and/or previous important results and trends relating to specific research or technology specified by the Editorial Board, which are comprehensible to researchers and experts in the field of aerosol science and technology. Those are the manuscripts requested by the Editorial Board or submitted by the members. If the authors wish, they may submit a feature article as an original paper (a research paper, a technical paper, or a review paper), and the manuscript will be reviewed in the way as original papers are.
- 2.3 Interpretive articles  
Single or a series of articles that describe the recent and/or previous important results and trends relating to specific research or technology. They consist of submitted articles and those specified by the Editorial Board on the particular subject. The Interpretive articles should maintain the equivalent quality to those of Feature articles. If the authors wish, they may submit an interpretive article as an original paper (a research paper, a technical paper, or a review paper), and the manuscript will be reviewed in the way as original papers are.
- 2.4 General articles  
General articles consist of the following: (1) Foreword, (2) Proposal, (3) Á La Carte, (4) My Way, (5) New Face (brief introduction of doctoral dissertations), (6) Event Reports (events such as meetings, awards, etc.), (7) Aerosol Square, and (8) others (introduction of laboratories, research progress reports after getting Iinoya Award, book reviews, news of the young association, etc.)

## 3. Preprints

- 3.1 Manuscripts that have been opened or are being submitted to a community-recognized preprint server (e.g., JST Preprint Server Jxiv) are also accepted for submission to the journal. However, manuscripts that have been already reviewed and revised by the journal, manuscripts that have been accepted for publication by the journal, and manuscripts that have been published by the journal should not be submitted to the preprint server.
- 3.2 If the manuscript is accepted for publication in the journal, the author must update the preprint to include a link to the published manuscript.

## 4. Submission

- 4.1 Manuscripts should be prepared in either Japanese or English according to the “Information for Authors” and the latest “[Template](#)”. Manuscripts that do not comply with these rules may not be accepted.
- 4.2 For English manuscripts, print Times New Roman, 12 point and double-spaced on A4 or letter size paper, leaving a liberal margin (2 cm) on all four sides. Approximately 800 words will correspond to 1 page of final print. The manuscript, including figures and tables, are limited in length to the following number of printed pages for manuscripts in either Japanese or English.

Research paper:	6 pages	Discussion	2 pages
Technical paper	6 pages	Feature article	6 pages
Review paper	8 pages	Interpretive paper	6 pages
Letter	2 pages	New face	4 pages
Note	4 pages	Aerosol square	a half page
Foreword	1 page		
My way, Á la carte, Proposal, Event report, etc.	2 pages		

- 4.3 Electronic Supplementary Material consisting Figures and/or Tables etc. is available. The supplementary materials are not included in the printed journal. When the manuscript is uploaded on J-STAGE as online journal, the electronic supplementary materials submitted by authors are also uploaded. If the authors want to refer the Figures and/or Tables in the electronic supplementary material, they can be referred as “Table S1”, “Fig. S1”.... Refer J-STAGE web site for more information, including available [format](#) and [file sizes](#).

The files for electronic supplementary materials have to be submitted as separate files with the manuscript at submission.

- 4.4 Manuscripts of original papers, feature articles, and interpretive articles should be submitted through the [electronic submission system](#). If it is not available, please contact to the Editorial Office of the Association (information is shown below). When submitting, the author should prepare files of the completed submission check sheet and the copyright transfer sheet along with the manuscript. It can be found in the association’s [website](#). Received date of the manuscript will be recorded as the submission date at the system. After the manuscript is accepted for publication the final version of the manuscript should be submitted.
- 4.5 If copyrighted materials such as figures and tables are cited from other publications, the authors must obtain permission of the copyright holder for reprint before submission and specify the source of the materials in the manuscript where they appear.
- 4.6 In case of submission of general articles, send manuscripts and files of the completed submission check sheet and the copyright transfer sheet to the Editorial Office of the Association by mail (information is shown below). Received date of the manuscript will be recorded as the arrival date at the Editorial Office. The author will be notified of receipt.

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## 5. Peer review and others

- 5.1 To be published as an original paper, the submitted manuscript will be peer-reviewed by a few referees. Whether it will be accepted for publication will be decided by the Editorial Board based on the results of the review. To find out more about the review flow for original papers, please refer to "[Review Flow for Original Papers by the Editorial Board](#)". The submitted manuscripts to be considered for publication as feature articles and interpretive articles will be examined by a few referees and the Editorial Board. To be considered for publications as general articles, manuscripts will be examined based on the decision of the Editorial Board.
- 5.2 The Editorial Board may return the manuscript to the author(s) with request for revisions. Manuscripts that are requested for revision should be resubmitted after revision as quickly as possible. When no response is made by the author(s) within 3 months after the return of the manuscript, the manuscript will be regarded as having been withdrawn.
- 5.3 Manuscripts written in English may be checked by an expert in writing in English in order to improve the clarity of presentation and/or readability, either at the author’s request or by the decision of the Editorial Board and with the author’s consent. English proofreading fees will be charged to the authors in such cases.
- 5.4 In order to unify terms and formatting, the Editorial Board may correct manuscripts to the extent that the meaning of a passage is not altered. Corrections will only be made with the author’s consent.

## 6. Author’s proofreading

Authors may proofread one. In principle, correction of text other than typographical errors and insertion of text that did not appear in the manuscript on submission will not be accepted at this time. Manuscripts should be proofread and returned to the Editorial Office as quickly as possible.

## 7. Fees

### 7.1 Publication fee

For the original papers (see 2.1), the article processing charge will be charged when the manuscript is accepted. In addition to the article processing charge, an excess fee will be charged if the number of printed pages exceeds the page limit given in 3.2.

**【Article processing charge】**

Within the page limit

		Submission type	Number of page(s) as printed							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Page limit	2	Letters/Discussions	12,000	14,000						
	4	Notes	12,000	14,000	16,000	18,000				
	6	Research papers/Technical papers/Interpretive articles	12,000	14,000	16,000	18,000	20,000	22,000		
	8	Review papers	12,000	14,000	16,000	18,000	20,000	22,000	24,000	26,000

\*In Japanese yen

In excess of the page limit

		Number of pages(s) in excess of the page limit			
		+1	+2	+3	Over three pages
Page limit	2	16,000	18,000	23,000	5,000 yen per page.
	4	20,000	22,000	27,000	
	6	24,000	26,000	31,000	
	8	28,000	30,000	35,000	

\*In Japanese yen

**【Color printing】**

Color printing will only be offered with approval of the Editorial Board. A fee will be charged to the authors. Additional 40,000 yen will be charged per one color page (first page, 18,000 yen/page, after the second page, 20,000 yen/page, if the color page is requested by the Editorial Board).

**【Feature articles specified by the Editorial Board】**

Type of manuscripts	Article processing charge	Contribution reward
Research papers / Technical papers	Necessary	Will be paid
Feature articles	Not necessary	Will be paid
Review papers	Necessary	Will be paid
Interpretive articles	Not necessary	Will be paid

**7.2 Reprint fee**

Reprint will be offered to the applicant at cost

**【Prices of reprints】** (as of April 1, 2024)

Number of reprints	1,2 pages	3,4 pages	5,6 pages	7,8 pages	9-12 pages	13-16 pages
50	12,000	19,000	22,000	25,000	31,000	37,000
100	13,000	20,000	23,000	26,000	32,000	38,000
150	14,000	21,000	24,000	27,000	33,000	39,000
200	15,000	23,000	26,000	29,000	35,000	41,000
250	16,000	25,000	29,000	30,000	38,000	46,000
300	17,000	26,000	30,000	34,000	42,000	50,000

All prices are in Japanese yen. Page number is one in the final printed matter. Additionally, airmail fee will be charged.

\* Additional charges will be applied for color printing (100 yen per page × number of prints) and/or for PDF data (2,000 yen per file) respectively.

**8. Online journal**

- 8.1 Same contents of original papers (research papers, technical papers, review paper, letters, notes, and discussions), feature articles and interpretive articles will be uploaded as an electronic journal on [J-STAGE](#). Original papers will be open access immediately after the publication, and feature articles and interpretive articles will be open access one year after the publication. If there are electronic supplementary materials, they are also uploaded on J-STAGE.
- 8.2 Color will be offered in the online edition with approval of the Editorial Board even if the figures and tables are black-and-white data in print edition. A fee will be charged to the authors. Additional 1,000 yen will be charged per one color figure or table in principle. The descriptions of figures in text and captions must be the same for both online and print editions. Please state '(Online version in color.)' at the end of the figure caption. If the authors wish to use the color figures and/or

tables, the authors should also supply the color version of these figures and/or tables at the time of submission to the Editorial Office when contributing the manuscript. Additional 2,000 yen will be charged per one electronic supplementary material file.

## 9. Modification of micrographs or other digital images

The following precautions should be taken when using microscope photographs.

- 9.1 When adjusting the brightness and contrast of microscope photographs, the image processing should be applied to the whole image with linear transformations. Do not perform the adjustments of only a part of an image with an emphasis to specific pieces of it.
- 9.2 Do not perform cut and paste editing for two or more different microscope images in order to look like one image.
- 9.3 Do not remove the feature and/or add another feature in an original image by the enhancements and adjustments of only a part of the image.
- 9.4 In the above “9.3”, however, indications, such as the arrows, closed lines shall be added to the image in consideration of being easily understandable by the readers and not causing any misinterpretation. Also, in using the image processing operation, which have the possibility of misunderstanding to the readers, it should be specified clearly in the images and/or in the figure captions and text of manuscript.
- 9.5 Image scaling of microscope photographs should be specified using scale bar and so forth in order to avoid a mismatch between the printing magnification and the display magnification in image (e.g.: “×1000”).

## 10. Others

### 10.1 Correction after publication

10.1.1 Typographical errors will be corrected at the author’s request.

10.1.2 Corrections, additions when the Editorial Board admits it, may be published in a forthcoming issue.

### 10.2 Appropriation for article processing charge etc. by contribution reward.

10.2.1 Author may use in full or part of the contribution reward to pay for the article processing charge, such as color printing fee, electronic journal color posting fee, electronic supplementary material using fee and so on.

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