

# Author Guide of Newpubli in General

## 1. Do you qualify to submit manuscripts for publication in Newpubli?

You qualify to submit a manuscript to Newpubli for publication if the first or corresponding author of the manuscript has done research for no less than five years.

## 2. Why should you publish your articles in Newpubli?

You will know the decision about your manuscript within days after submission;

Your manuscripts will be published as preprints immediately after acceptance;

You can publish your article before you have finished it, as set forth below;

Your manuscripts will be fairly rated and bestowed with value ranks through solid peer review;

Your manuscripts will not be rejected because of wrong peer review comments;

Your manuscripts will not be rejected because they are assumed to be of limited value or technical unreliability;

You need not pay any fee for open access publication;

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You can protect your copyright of your manuscripts provided they are accessible without any limitation.

## 3. Why can you publish your articles before you have finished it?

The major reason is that these unfinished manuscripts are only published as preprint abstracts or preprints. The publication suggests that you have obtained some data and have reached some conclusions, and you have published them openly. The publication also suggests that your conclusions have not been formally published and have not been rated by any peer reviewers.

Newpubli shall not formally publish any articles if they have not been completed.

Newpubli shall not invite any peer reviewers to rate an article if the article has not been completed.

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If you think it is very important to publish your manuscript before you have finished its full text, you can publish its well-written abstract in Newpubli as an uncorrected preprint abstract, and you should submit its full text possible within one month.

If you think it is very important to publish your manuscript before you have polished its full text, you can publish its full text in Newpubli as an uncorrected preprint, and you should update the full text within one month.

When your manuscript has been published as an uncorrected preprint abstract or uncorrected preprint, the uncorrected preprint abstract or preprint will be given a permanent URL, and so it can be cited by others.

#### **4. Will your article be accepted for publication?**

First, if a manuscript written in English contains a title, at least an author representative, an abstract, and the statements required by Newpubli on ethics and copyright, it shall be accepted for publication as an uncorrected preprint abstract, or an uncorrected preprint if its full text has been submitted.

Second, an uncorrected preprint shall be accepted as corrected preprint when Newpubli Editorial Team have found that it has met the following six criteria: the first or corresponding author has done research for no less than five years; the manuscript is well written in English; the manuscript is in the required format; the manuscript is mainly based on novel data, novel inferences, and/or novel views; the manuscript has met the ethical requirements of Newpubli; the manuscript has met the copyright requirements of Newpubli.

Third, when the corrected preprint has obtained a value rank through peer review, it shall be accepted for formal publication as an article.

#### **5. How many original shares of Newpubli can you earn through publishing highly-ranked articles?**

There are totally 50,000,000 original shares of Newpubli which are to be issued in 2015 and 2018, and each share costs or is equivalent to one US dollar. 20,000,000 (40%) of all the original shares of Newpubli shall be bestowed to researchers who have published articles in Newpubli or provided peer review for Newpubli. For example, if you are the corresponding author of one of the first two articles published by Newpubli whose PR-Ranks are 9, you shall be bestowed with 20,000 original shares of Newpubli! Please click [here](#) for more information.

#### **6. Why will your articles be rationally rated on value?**

In conventional journals, the value of an article is usually rated indirectly through the impact factor of the journal where the article was published. This is often unfair as articles published in the same traditional journal are often of different value.

Articles published in Newpubli can also be rated on value through the traditional way, because each collection of the articles sharing the same PR-Rank in Newpubli constitutes a sub-journal of Newpubli, and each of the sub-journals shall have its own impact factor in the future. Moreover, articles published in the same sub-journal of Newpubli are more likely of similar value than the articles published in a conventional journal.

It is often said it should be more rationally if each article can be rated on value one by one through peer review. This is just the rating mode of Newpubli.

The value of each article published by Newpubli can also be rated directly by the PR-Rank in a simple, timely and clear way. For example, if the PR-Rank of an article published in Newpubli is 4, then this article can be assumed to be as valuable as an article published by a journal with the impact factor around 2.5–3.5. Moreover, because the PR-Rank is the median of the rating data provided by five or more qualified experts for each article in a secret mode, overestimates and underestimates are likely to be excluded from the value ranking. Additionally, the other three value ranks, namely the OY-Rank, TY-Rank and FY-Rank, can also provide additional useful information for rating the value of an article published by Newpubli.

#### **7. Why can your articles be published rapidly with solid peer review?**

Because your articles will not be rejected due to that they are assumed to be of limited value or technical unreliability, and the time-consuming peer review is partially conducted after your articles have been published as preprints, your articles can be accepted and published rapidly.

The peer review of Newpubli is divided into five stages in a rational order, as set forth in the [Editorial Policies](#) of Newpubli. They jointly make the peer review process solid, because all the stages of peer review are conducted by qualified experts or accredited editing companies. Moreover, overestimates and underestimates for rating the value of an article are both likely of little effect on the final rating.

## **8. How much should you pay for open-access publication?**

Authors need not pay any fee for open-access publication. Although authors need not pay any fee for open-access publication, they are hoped to actively participate in the peer review of the journal.

From the lessons some academic journals have experienced in recent years, some people or entities might require you to pay some money for open-access publication in Newpubli or Newpubli Express through telephone, emails or other ways. They may also say they can improve the ranks of your articles if you pay the fee. These requirements are ALL fraud and should be sent from cheats, and you should not believe them. We wish you could send us such fraud information to us in time.

## **9. What can you do if your article is underestimated by its PR-Rank?**

Some articles published by Newpubli may be overestimated or underestimated by its PR-Rank, although we have tried our best and taken solid measures to minimize overestimate or underestimate in calculating the rank.

An article published by Newpubli is of greater possibility to be underestimated if it has not been well written in science or in language. Therefore, authors should pay enough attention to the first and third stages of peer review which are responsible to provide advice on revision of manuscripts.

If you think that your article is somehow underestimated by its PR-Rank, we encourage you accept it, and in the future its OY-Rank, TY-Rank and FY-Rank will provide additional information to rate the value of your article.

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## **10. How should you prepare and submit your manuscript?**

Before you prepare your manuscript, you should check whether you qualify to submit your manuscript to Newpubli, and whether your manuscript has met all the aforementioned six requirements for publication in Newpubli, and you should read this Author Guide carefully.

You should pay enough attention to that the value of your manuscript can be significantly improved through the first and the third stages of peer review.

You should know a statistical rule regarding manuscript revision: if you have identified  $n$  errors in your manuscript through a thorough check and revised the manuscript accordingly, then you can identify approximately  $n/4$  errors in your manuscript through a new thorough check. For example, if you have identified 20 errors in your manuscript through a thorough check and revised the manuscript accordingly, then you can identify approximately 5 ( $= 20/4$ ) errors in your manuscript through a new thorough check. Please check and revise your manuscript for really enough times according to this rule.

You should have checked and revised your manuscript for enough times before you submit your manuscript.

Your submission should contain the following files in order:

- (1) Cover Letter in PDF;
- (2) Manuscript in DOC or DOCX;

(3) Figures (optional);

(4) Attachments (optional);

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## **11. How should you do for peer review of your manuscript?**

Before you invite an expert to conduct the optional first stage of peer review, namely to provide you advice on revision of your manuscript, you should have checked and revised your manuscript for enough times, and you cannot find any places in your manuscript needing revision. The expert you invite should have much experience in the field and English expression. You should revise your manuscript according to the advice given by the expert. Usually, you should tell in detail the expert how you have revised the manuscript according to his or her advice, by email or another way. If you do not accept one or more pieces of the advice, you should explain to the expert in a polite manner.

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As for the fifth stage of peer review which is done by readers of Newpubli, you will be notified by Newpubli Editorial Team when a reader has provided comments on your article published by Newpubli. You should consider whether and how you should respond to the comments.

## **12. How does Newpubli score the performance of authors and award them?**

The corresponding author will gain 100 points if he or she has published an article in Newpubli, and further  $100 \times (N-1)$  points if the PR-Rank or OY-Rank of the article is N (N = 1, 2, 3, etc.).

A corresponding author will be awarded by Newpubli as an Excellent Author if he or she has accumulated every 500 points for publishing articles in Newpubli or Newpubli Express, and an Excellent Author shall qualify to be an academic editor of Newpubli, if he or she is willing to fulfill the responsibilities of AEs of Newpubli.

An author of Newpubli will be promoted to a 3-Star or N-Star Author of the journal, if he or she has been awarded for 3 or N times by Newpubli as an Excellent Author.

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