# Information for Authors

# "ODES'KIJ MEDIČNIJ ŽURNAL" ("The Odessa Medical Journal")

### Information about Edition

"Odes'kij medičnij žurnal" ("The Odessa Medical Journal") was founded in 1926. During a few years it was highly appreciated by scientists. The works of the famous scientists had been published there. But then, at the start of 30-s, the publication of the Journal was stopped. It was renewed only in 1997, and very soon the Journal won its authority again and took a proper place among other scientific editions of the country.

The founders of the Journal are the Ministry of Health of Ukraine and the Odessa National Medical University, the publisher — the Odessa National Medical University.

The editor-in-chief of the Journal since the time of its renewal is the academician of the NAMS of Ukraine, the Ukraine State Prize Winner V. M. Zaporozhan. The members of the editorial board and editorial council are the world-known scientists.

By decisions of Presidium of the Higher Attestation Commission of Ukraine N1-05/2 from the 27th of May, 2009 and N 1-05/5 from the 31st of May, 2011 "The Odessa Medical Journal" was included in the list of editions, which publish the basic results of dissertation works on medicine, biology and pharmacy. This fact determines the subject of its publications. About two hundred papers and reports are published in the Journal annually.

The Journal appears bimonthly. It comes to the most known libraries of the country, large scientific centers, some educational establishments. Its release is highly appraised outside of the country.

The Journal is distributed by subscription.

The Journal can be subscribed at any subscription point.

Subscription index — 48717.

# THE MANUAL OF ARTICLE STYLE FOR "ODES'KIJ MEDIČNIJ ŽURNAL" ("THE ODESSA MEDICAL JOURNAL") HAS BEEN CHANGED

The articles taken according to the previous rules will be published. New articles are submitted by the new rules, indicated at the end of this issue, will be published in the next issues and on the sites of the Odessa National Medical University www.odmu.edu.ua and "The Odessa Medical Journal" journal.odmu.edu.ua.

The change of previous rules is caused by a necessity in deep integration of our edition into the world scientific space with its developed scientometrical tool, which allows to define precisely the role of any scientist, any edition in the scientific process. The time, when gaining a scientific degree without consideration of the world rating of a scientist will be impossible, is not so far.

The abstract scientometrical databasis Scopus is the greatest in the world. It determines a so-called Hirsch index (h-index), which, despite all criticism, is considered to be enough objective and reliable parameter of scientist's contribution to the science and his recognition in the scientific world.

So, our requirements to the articles remained basically the same. They changed only in the aspects, which directly concern their usage in the scientometrical databases. We draw authors' special attention to this fact, because Hirsh index, calculated by the system, mainly depends on strict observance by the author of the requirements given below.

# THE MANUAL OF ARTICLE STYLE FOR "ODES'KIJ MEDIČNIJ ŽURNAL" ("THE ODESSA MEDICAL JOURNAL")

- 1. "Odes'kij medičnij žurnal" ("The Odessa Medical Journal") publishes theoretical and review articles, which cover important achievements of science, results of completed original clinical and experimental researches, basic results of dissertations on medicine, biology and pharmacy, and also memorial materials.
- 2. Problem articles with total volume of up to 8 pages, reviews up to 10 pages, original and other types of articles up to 6 pages, short reports up to 2 pages are submitted.
- 3. Articles, which have been already published in other editions or were submitted for publication to some editions at the same time, as well as the works which are a

remake of the articles published before and do not contain new scientific material or new scientific comprehension of already known material are not submitted.

- 4. The following materials are published in the Journal:
- a) results of original researches concerning main directions of development of medical, biological and pharmaceutical sciences;
- b) works on fundamental problems in biology, medicine, pharmacology and pharmacy:
  - genetics and applied aspects of medical genetics;
- biophysical and morphofunctional analysis of cells of an organism at different types of pathology;
  - works on modern cellular technologies;



- the modern elaborations in the field of general and clinical pharmacology and pharmacy;
- achievements in the field of study of etiology, pathogenesis and diagnostics of modern diseases;
- prophylaxis of diseases, inoculation, prevention of especially dangerous diseases;
- c) reviews on the modern actual problems of biology, medicine and pharmacy;
  - d) information, chronicle, anniversaries.
- 5. An article should be submitted to editorial in two copies, signed by all the authors. By their signatures the authors guarantee that the article meets all the requirements of the manual of the article style for "The Odessa Medical Journal", experimental and clinical researches have been executed according to the international ethical norms of scientific researches, and also they give the publisher a right for publication of the article in the Journal, placing it and its materials on the Journal's site and in other sources.
- 6. An article is accompanied with a letter to the editorial staff, vised signature of the chief and the seal of the establishment where the work was done, and for the home authors also by the expert inference, that authorizes the open publication.
- 7. If used in the article materials are intellectual property of some organizations and have not been published before, an author should get permission for their publication from each of these organizations and send it together with the article.
- 8. The text is printed with 1.5-spacing throughout the text on a standard paper (width of fields: on the left, above and below by 2 cm, on the right 1 cm) in Arial (Arial Cyr) or Times (Times Cyr) 14 points. The page of the text should contain no more than 30 lines.
- 9. The language of the articles is Ukrainian for home authors, Russian and English for foreign authors.
- 10. The material of the article should be placed in the following order:
  - a) UDC index;
  - b) initials and the last name of the author (authors);
  - c) title of the article;
- d) a complete name of the establishment (establishments) where the work was done, city, country;
- e) statement of a problem in general and its connection with important scientific and practical tasks;
- f) analysis of the modern researches and publications, in which the given problem was initiated and which the author is guided by;
- g) pointing out the parts of general problem which were not resolved before;
  - h) formulation of the aim of the article (raising a task);
- i) statement of the basic material with complete substantiation of obtained scientific results;
- j) conclusions from the given research and perspectives of subsequent works in this direction;
  - k) references;
- I) two abstracts in Russian up to 800 printing letters (0.45 page) and in English up to 1800 printing letters (1 page) after the following scheme: UDC index, initials and the last name of author (authors), title of the article, text of the abstract, key words (no more than five).
- 11. The abstract in English should shortly reproduce the structure of the article, including introduction, purpose and task, methods, results, conclusions, key words. Initials and the last name of author (authors) are given in transliteration, the title of the article must be translated into English. The key words and other terms of the article should correspond to generally used medical terms cited in dictionaries. One should

not use slang and abbreviations which are not in general use.

- 12. The chemical and mathematical formulas are inprinted or put down. The structural formulas are designed as figures. In formulas there are marked out: small and large letters (large ones by two hyphens from below, small ones by two hyphens from above by a lead pencil); the Latin letters are underlined with a dark blue pencil; Greek ones with a red pencil; subscript and superscript letters by an arc line with a lead pencil.
- 13. The International System of Units (SI) should be used in the articles.
- 14. Figures (no more than two) and signatures to them are made separately. On the back side of every figure by a lead pencil one should indicate its number and title of the articles, and if necessary to note a top and bottom.
- 15. The tables (no more than three) should be placed on separate pages, be numbered and titled. The marginal notes should indicate the place of figures and tables. The information given in tables and figures must not be duplicated.
- 16. The references must contain the list of works for the last 5 years and only sometimes more early publications. In the original works they quote no more than 10 sources, in the reviews about 30. Every work in the literature list should be referred in the manuscript. The literature in the list is ordered according to reference to it in the text of the article, which is given in the square brackets, or after the alphabet. If the works of one and the same author are presented, they take place after the chronological order. The references shouldn't contain works, which have not been published yet.
- 17. The list is given in duplicate for every copy of the article, which are published separately one from another. The first copy is designed according to DSTU GOST 7.1:2006. The other one fully duplicates the first one, but by the Roman alphabet after the schemes given below.

#### For articles:

Author A.A., Author B.B., Author C.C. Title of article. *Title of Journal* 2005; 5(129): 49-53.

The last names of authors and title of the Journal are given by the Roman alphabet in transliteration, title of the article — in translation into English.

### For materials of conferences:

Riabinina, A.A., Berezina, E.V., Usol'tseva, N.V. Surface Tension and Lyotropic Mesomorphism in Systems Consisting of Nonionogenic Surfactant and Water, *Liotropnye zhidkie kristally and nanomaterialy: sbornik statei VII Mezhdunarodnoi nauchnoi konferentsii* (Lyotropic Liquid Crystals and Nanomaterials: Proceedings of the Seventh International Conference), Ivanovo: Ivanovskii Gos. Univ., 2009, 73-75.

The last names of authors are given in transliteration, title of the work — in translation into English. The main thing in descriptions of conferences is the name of conference in the language of original (is given in transliteration if there is not its English name), indicated by italic. Translation of the name into English is given in brackets. Imprint (place of holding a conference, place of publication, year, pages) — in English.

## For monographs and other books:

Nenashev M.F. *Poslednee pravitel'stvo SSSR* [Last government of the USSR]. Moscow, KromPubl., 1993. 221 p.

The last names of authors are given in transliteration, title of the book — in italic in transliteration with

translated into English in the square brackets. Place of publication, year of publication, total number of pages — English, name of publishing house — in transliteration.

**Please, note:** in the references in the Roman alphabet it is necessary to indicate all the authors of the literary source, which you refer to (DSTU GOST of 7.1:2006 does not provide it). Also one should not use the signs of division: // and — , which are provided by DSTU GOST of 7.1:2006. The name of the source (Journal, conference, book) is always indicated by italic.

The observance of these rules will provide the true representation of quoted sources in the majority of abstract scientometrical databases.

18. Abbreviations of words and word combinations are given according to DSTU 3582-97 and GOST 7.12-93.

For those who have no access to the complete DSTU text, there are examples of bibliographic records registration on the site of the Odessa Medical University. Access by link: http://odmu.edu.ua/index.php?v=1179.

- 19. Information about authors, which contains academic status and degree, the last name, name and patronymic (in a full form), place of work and occupation, address for correspondence, telephones and faxes numbers, e-mail address are added to the article on a separate sheet of paper in the language of original and English.
- 20. The published materials executed with the use of computer technologies, are added by materials of computer type-setting and graphic on a diskette (CD, DVD).

The text can be done in the following formats: Word for Windows, RTF (Reach Text Format).

Graphic material should be submitted in separate files of the XLS, TIFF, WMF or CDR formats. Resolution of stroke originals (the graphics, schemes) of the

TIFF formats must be 300–600 dpi B&W, semitone (pictures, etc.) — 200–300 dpi Gray Scale (256 gradations of gray). Width of graphic originals — 5.5, 11.5 and 17.5 cm.

- 21. Articles are subjected to scientific reviewing, as a result of which the decision about the work is taken whether to publish it or not. The rejected articles are not returned and are not resubmitted.
- 22. The Journal reserves the right for editorial correcting, which does not distort its contents, or returns an article to the author for correction of revealed errors. The articles sent to the authors for correction, should be sent back no later than in three days after being received by authors.
- 23. The date of article's coming to the Journal is the day when editorial office receives the final variant of the text.
- 24. Proof-reading are not sent to the authors, however if it does not disturb the term of Journal release, a preprint version can be provided, in which only typesetting and factual mistakes can be corrected.
- 25. The publication of materials in "The Odessa Medical Journal" requires payment. Payment is made after reading articles and approval of them to printing, about which the authors are informed additionally.
- 26. The articles for the publication are sent to the address: the Odessa National Medical University, editorial staff of "Odes'kij medičnij žurnal", Valikhovskyy lane, 2, Odessa, 65082.

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27. The articles that do not conform to these rules, are not submitted.

Editorial board

# **Manuscripts Reviewing Order**

Scientific articles submitted to "Odes'kij medičnij žurnal" ("The Odessa Medical Journal") need reviewing.

Reviewers of the Journal are experienced specialists — doctors of sciences, members of the editorial board and editorial council of the Journal. If necessary the editors enlist cooperation of outside experts. The scientific article publication is possible after the writing presentation of editorial members.

The reviews should estimate if the article corresponds to the subject of the Journal and its title, actuality and scientific level, advantages and disadvantages, correspondance of the article design to the editorial requirements. The conclusion about advisability of publication is drawn in the end.

A review is given to the author of the article on his demand without signature, pointing the last name, occupation and places of the work of a reviewer.

If the reviewer recommends to correct or complete the article, the editorial staff sends the re-

view text to the author for inserting proper changes in.

The author, whose article was not submitted to the publication, is sent an reasonable refuse on his demand. The manuscript is not returned.

If the author does not agree with a reviewer's point of view, he can give him a reasonable answer

In case of necessity an additional reading of manuscript by another specialist can be carried out on agreement with the author.

A final decision about the publication of the article and its terms is made by the editorial board.

Sometimes in case of a positive review the article can be published after the editor-in-chief's or vice-editor-in-chief's decision.

After approval of the article publication the editorial staff informs the author about it with indicating the term of publication

Originals of reviews are kept in the editorial during 1 year.

