

CTPECC Publishing Policy

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Purpose Statement

On behalf of the publisher, the CTPECC editor hereby establishes this policy to reassure stakeholders and to clarify and continually improve upon the publishing practices of the CTPECC. This policy is effective starting 1st March 2022.

Procedures and Responsibilities

I. Section One: Academic Debate

- A. CTPECC mediates academic debate before and after publication.
- B. CTPECC may issue errata and corrigenda.

II. Section Two: Appeals

- A. CTPECC responds to appeals about editorial decisions.

III. Section Three: Authorship

- A. CTPECC confirms with manuscript submitters, the authenticities and proper attributions of authorships, including ORCID (Open Researcher Contributor Identifier) when available.
- B. CTPECC provides explanations for authors missing or deceased.
- C. CTPECC provides explanations for author name changes.

IV. Section Four: Citations

- A. CTPECC communicates with authors about citation standards.

V. Section Five: Editorial Independence

- A. CTPECC judges all submissions based on scholarly importance.
- B. CTPECC protects editorial decisions from commercial, personal, and political influence.
- C. CTPECC funders do not influence editorial decisions.
- D. CTPECC clearly identifies its funders.
- E. CTPECC fully discloses its editorial policies.
- F. CTPECC clearly labels contents that are provided by third parties.
- G. Except on legal or ethical issues, the editor's employers do not influence editorial decisions about individual manuscripts.

VI. Section Six: Conflicts of Interest

- A. CTPECC asks for potential conflicts of interest from authors and peer reviewers.

VII. Section Seven: Copyright and Intellectual Property

- A. CTPECC obtains copyright license agreements.
- B. In principle, CTPECC allows for reprinting with documented permission from the editor.

VIII. Section Eight: Revisions and Retractions

- A. CTPECC fully discloses revisions and retractions.
- B. CTPECC may attach expressions of concern to articles.
- C. CTPECC retracts articles containing major errors or academic dishonesty.
- D. CTPECC does not accept article withdrawals.

IX. Section Nine: Data and Reporting

- A. CTPECC encourages data sharing and complete reporting.

X. Section Ten: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- A. CTPECC does not tolerate discrimination against categories of persons.

XI. Section Eleven: Image Manipulation

- A. CTPECC communicates with authors regarding proper image processing.
- B. CTPECC rejects data that are obtained or processed unethically.

XII. Section Twelve: Hazardous Materials

- A. CTPECC asks authors to include warnings of hazardous materials or technologies that are mentioned in their manuscripts.

XIII. Section Thirteen: Investigation

- A. CTPECC sets up special investigatory commissions when misconduct is suspected.

XIV. Section Fourteen: Plagiarism, Redundant Publication, and Translations

- A. CTPECC checks for plagiarism and redundant publication using available tools, and communicates with authors.
- B. CTPECC does not consider translations, preprints, working papers, nor dissertations as redundant publication.

XV. Section Fifteen: Research Ethics

- A. CTPECC asks authors to vouch for ethical research conduct.

XVI. Section Sixteen: Research Funding

- A. CTPECC asks authors to acknowledge sources of research funding and support.

XVII. Section Seventeen: Sanctions

- A. CTPECC may impose sanctions against persons whom threaten CTPECC's reputation.
- B. CTPECC allows for appeals against sanctions.

XVIII. Section Eighteen: Other Matters

- A. CTPECC follows the law and takes legal action.
- B. CTPECC reserves all rights to interpret, apply, and revise the *CTPECC Publishing Policy* in accordance with the law.

References

This policy was developed by referring to *TIER Copyright License Agreement* and *Best Practice Guidelines on Research Integrity and Publishing Ethics*, Wiley (2021).

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