

Paper Submission Policy for “*Electrochemistry*”

1. Types of Manuscripts

“*Electrochemistry*” is the official journal of The Electrochemical Society of Japan (ECSJ) and is devoted to the publication of research papers related to electrochemistry and applied physical chemistry. All manuscripts submitted are handled by the editorial board of *Electrochemistry* (Editorial Board), who have been appointed by ECSJ. The journal is composed of the following types of manuscripts.

1. Article

Articles describe results or conclusions based on scientific facts which have significant novelty and originality.

2. Communication

Communications are limited to manuscript that require urgent publication. A communication should contain significant new facts, valuable data and methods with novelty and originality.

3. Note

Notes illustrate invaluable new data, methods, etc. based on empirical facts, and include content which lead to progress in scientific understanding or technological advancement. As long as these criteria are fulfilled, a Note does not necessarily have to demonstrate a clear logical discussion of the corresponding results.

4. Comprehensive paper

A Comprehensive paper reports new insights or draws new conclusions from the treatment of previously reported data.

5. Review

A Review is a comprehensive paper presenting research trends in a certain field from the perspective of the current situation and future prospects based on an extensive literature review. Submission of Reviews requires recommendation of the Editorial Board or a Branch/Committee of ECSJ.

6. Headline

A Headline is an invited paper compiled by leading researchers in a specific field related to topics handled in the special topics volume planned by the Editorial Board.

7. Correction

A short article consisting of Errata caused by publication process, Corrigenda, or Addenda is published when corrections or changes are required for papers published in *Electrochemistry* at the request of the Author.

2. Submission and Refereeing of Manuscripts

1. When submitting a manuscript to “*Electrochemistry*”, the author(s) must declare that they are in compliance with [the ethical guidelines for *Electrochemistry*](#).

2. Manuscripts should be written either in English or Japanese. Papers should be prepared in accordance with the “[Instructions for Authors](#)” and submit on-line through the Web submission system.

3. The received date of the manuscript shall be the completion date of Web submission (UTC-5 time zone).

4. There is no charge for Submission.

5. After completion of submission, a manuscript number will be allocated and undergo a technical check by the Editorial Board or the ECSJ secretariat, and then will be immediately sent out for cross-examination and peer-review.

6. The review of papers will be conducted in accordance with the [peer-reviewing policy](#). To ensure the academic independence of editing process of *Electrochemistry*, the representative directors and executive directors in charge of editing of *Electrochemistry* are not allowed to be involved in the decision-making process such as the judgement and peer-review ones.

7. A “Certificate of Acceptance” will be promptly issued for papers which has been accepted for publication based on the reviewing process.

3. Publication

Accepted manuscripts will be published in “*Electrochemistry*” through the publication process described below.

1. Article processing charge (APC)

After a manuscript is accepted, the author(s) must pay the Article Processing Charge (APC) without delay. If one or more of the authors are regular members (including individuals belonging to corporate members and special corporate members), senior or student members, or upon special approval from the Editorial Board, the authors may apply for a discount or full waiver of the APC. Authors interested in details should refer to the [Waiver of APC document](#).

2. Advanced Online Publication (AOP)

After confirmation of the APC, the accepted manuscript will immediately be forwarded to the publishing process and will be available on the Web as an Advanced Online Publication (AOP) within two weeks.

3. Author proofreading

Authors must comply with author proofreading process for “Uncorrected Proof” in Advanced Online Publication according to the [Guidelines for author proofreading](#). The author(s) are responsible for proofreading and finalizing any revisions necessary within 72 hours after receiving the uncorrected proof from the publisher. At this time, correction, insertion, and deletion of words other than printing errors are not permitted. The author(s) may also need to answer queries raised from the Editorial Board and Editorial Office during the proofreading process.

4. Correction / Withdrawal / Retraction

Corrections, withdrawals, and retraction of papers will be decided by the Editorial Board of “*Electrochemistry*” according to the peer-review policy. [Contact the Editorial Board for details of APC for correction, withdrawals, and retraction of papers](#).

5. Author’s Rights

All manuscripts accepted in *Electrochemistry*, including the Advanced Online Publication version, is open access, and copyright belongs to the author(s). Any details of handling of the author's rights, including copyrights, secondary uses, and personal information will be specified separately in “[The Copyright License Agreement with The Electrochemical Society of Japan](#)” in the instructions for authors of *Electrochemistry*.

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