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Karger Publishers Runs Trial with Active Author Guidelines

Karger Publishers and Manuscript Manager, in collaboration with Penelope.ai, are conducting a trial with Active Author Guidelines: An author-facing manuscript prechecker, designed to improve the accuracy of the author's submission.

Active Author Guidelines, as the name suggests, allows authors to actively check if their manuscript fulfills the journal's Guidelines. Authors are prompted to address any flagged issues before continuing with their submission. Previously, authors were prompted to revisit the site after submission, when an infringement was detected by the Editorial Office of Karger Publishers. Active Author Guidelines assists in circumventing this time-consuming step.

Feedback collected during the current trial of the Active Author Guidelines across 25 Karger journals shows that authors find the tool useful. With a 30% decrease in guideline infringements since introducing the Active Author Guidelines to these journals, a general improvement in submission quality results in fewer delays before a paper can be admitted to peer review. This improves efficiency and the author experience with Karger Publishers.

Angela Lorenz, Editorial Office Manager at Karger Publishers, says, "Our stakeholders are at the center of everything we do, and we want to offer this service to our authors in order to save them time and improve their experience with us."

Peter Okholm, Partner and Business Developer at Manuscript Manager, says, "The quicker a research article can be published, the quicker it can be cited by researchers, creating a win-win for everyone. The ultimate purpose of Manuscript Manager's Active Author Guidelines is to help journals and publishers make good content publishable as quickly and efficiently as possible. We're thrilled to be working with Karger Publishers to pilot our Active Author Guidelines."

About Karger Publishers

Karger Publishers is a worldwide publisher of scientific and medical content based in Basel, Switzerland. It is independent and family-led in the fourth generation by Chairwoman and Publisher Gabriella Karger. Connecting and advancing health sciences since 1890, Karger has been continuously evolving, keeping pace with the current developments and shifts in research and publishing. The publishing house is dedicated to serving the information needs of the scientific community, clinicians, and patients with publications of high-quality content and services in health sciences. Karger Publishers has 240 employees and is present in 15 countries around the globe.

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For more information and a free trial, please visit **manuscriptmanager.com**.

Learn more about Active Author Guidelines here: manuscriptmanager.com/introducing-active-author-guidelines/

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