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*ETHICAL STANDARDS*¹

1. Singapore Statement on Research Integrity (global guidelines on responsible research). Prepared and adopted on 21-24 July 2010 during the 2nd World Conference on Research Integrity in Singapore (www.singaporestatement.org). It is recommended by the Committee on Publication Ethics – COPE² – as global guidelines on responsible research.

2. Code of Conduct and Best Practice Guidelines for Journal Editors. It is approved by the COPE Council on 7th March 2011³.

3. Ethical Guidelines for Peer Reviewers (prepared by Irene Hames on behalf of COPE Council)⁴.

4. Code of Conduct for Journal Publishers⁵.

5. Code of Research Publications Ethics⁶. It is prepared by the Committee on Research Publications Ethics⁷.

*BASIC ETHICAL PRINCIPLELS*⁸

FOR AUTHORS:

1. To respect the copyright.
2. To avoid plagiarism, falsification and / or manipulation used and / or received data.
3. Not to submit previously published papers.

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¹ The editorial board adheres all of the following standards and guidelines to the extent that they are not in conflict with Russian law and are consistent with the general ethical standards.

² The Committee on Publication Ethics is a charitable foundation established in 1997 in the UK. Members of the Committee are the world's major publishers, editors of academic journals, researchers and others interested in publication ethics. It has over 9000 members worldwide from all academic fields. A complete list of guidelines developed by the Committee is available at: <http://publicationethics.org/resources/guidelines>

³ Code of Conduct and Best Practice Guidelines for Journal Editors /COPE. 2011. 11 p. Available at: http://publicationethics.org/files/Code_of_conduct_for_journal_editors_1.pdf

⁴ Hames I. COPE Ethical Guidelines for Peer Reviewers /COPE. March 2013. V.1. 5p. Available at: http://publicationethics.org/files/Ethical_guidelines_for_peer_reviewers_0.pdf

⁵ Code of Conduct for Journal Publishers / COPE. Available at: http://publicationethics.org/files/Code%20of%20conduct%20for%20publishers%20FINAL_1_0.pdf

⁶ www.publicet.org/code

⁷ The Committee on Research Publications Ethics is a Russian public organization established as a non-commercial partnership in 2012. Members of the Committee are Russian academic publishers.

⁸ These rules are based on the above mentioned standards and correlate with them or copy them with certain modifications. Most of these rules are available (with detailed explanations) in Russian: Preparation and publication of an academic journal. International practice on ethics editing, reviewing, publishing and authorship of academic publications: Committee on Publication Ethics & Elsevier publishing guidelines. Translation collection. M., 2013. 140 p. The text is available at: <http://shkola.neicon.ru/dopy/71-etika-nauchnykh-publikatsij/204-podgotovka-i-izdanie-nauchnogo-zhurnala-mezhdunarodnaya-praktika-po-etike-redaktirovaniya-retsenzirovaniya-izdaniya-i-avtorstva-nauchnykh-publikatsij-rukovodstva-komiteta-po-etike-nauchnykh-publikatsij-sommittee-on-publication-ethics-cope-i-izdatelstva-el>

4. To provide other researchers with the ability to check (to confirm) the results obtained through the clear presentation (description) of arguments related to the question investigated (problems, conclusions, decisions) as well as methods and approaches.

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3. To respect the confidentiality of the review and to avoid the possibility of using information obtained during reviewing the submission in whatever purposes (except for purposes related to the publication).

4. To avoid any conflicts of interest.