Please be advised that the journal does not accept full length research or review articles.

Please consult our guide for authors for more details.

Case Studies in Chemical and Environmental Engineering (CSCEE) is an alternative Open Access Journal platform for the rapid publication of innovative, focused, and concise content on a broad range of topics, contributing primarily to new knowledge underpinning the Sustainable Development Goals.

Rapid scientific dissemination is essential in the modern world where countless ideas and solutions are invented, developed, and launched within a very short time. A key feature of CSCEE is an emphasis on the swift review and publication of specialized and focused content that is typically beyond the mold of traditional journals. CSCEE therefore aims to publish succinct, highly focused and well-structured manuscripts offering: Case or pilot studies, Short communications, Proof-of-concept investigations, Mini reviews (by consultation with the editors before submission), Research perspectives, (Short) original research papers.

CSCEE particularly welcomes manuscripts that incite much needed scientific exchange between academia and the industry thus bridging the gap between the two communities.

CSCEE especially welcomes contributions to address topics that are emerging or require timely attention in chemical and environmental engineering. The journal covers a wide range of processes and technologies in 8 main areas including (but not limited to) the following:

- **Environmental Engineering Applications** Water (such as biological and sustainable wastewater treatment and membrane processes) Air (such as persistent organic air pollutants, air quality monitoring, indoor air quality) Soil (such as soil stability and erosion, soil hydrology and biodiversity)
- **One Health** (such as human environmental health and risk assessment, ecology)

- **Chemical Engineering Applications** Resource Recovery (such as decontamination efforts/technologies, and circular economy principles) Energy (oil & gas, combustion, renewable energies)
- **Biotechnologies** (bioreactors for sustainable energy, biosensors, bioremediation)

**Chemical**
Processes (process intensification, catalysis, waste reduction in chemical/pharma/agrofood/textile/tannery/paper industries)

ABSTRACTING AND INDEXING
Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)

EDITORIAL BOARD

Co Editors-in-Chief
Damià Barceló, Institute of Environmental Assessment and Water Research, Spain
Environmental analysis, Water and soil quality, Organic mass spectrometry, Emerging organic contaminants, Nanomaterials, Biosensors for, Analysis, Fate and Risk of Emerging Pollutants such as Pharmaceuticals and Nanomaterials in the Environment Water Pollution Control and Protection Bridging analytical chemistry with ecotoxicology- toxicity identification, Evaluation techniques used, GC and LC tandem MS, biosensors, sample preparation, automated on-line techniques for water analysis environmental samples (water, including marine waters, sediments soils, biota samples)
Duc Long Nghiem, University of Technology Sydney, Australia
Membrane bioreactor, Pressure driven membrane processes, Forward osmosis, Membrane distillation, Facilitated transport membrane, Membrane electrolysis, Desalination, Water reuse, Biological wastewater treatment, Anaerobic digestion, Emerging organic contaminants, Energy and resource recovery from waste and wastewater

Associate Editors
Satinder Kaur Brar, York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Goldmine of Enzymes and other high-value products from agricultural residues, Emerging contaminants transformation into innocuous products by advanced green enzymes, biological oxidation methods, Advanced bioreactors for diverse decontaminations
Vincenzo Naddeo, University of Salerno, Fisciano, Italy
Water-energy-food-nexus, water quality, biotechnology, advanced oxidation processes (AOPs), climate change, algae-based technology, co2 sequestration/capture, hydrogen, biogas, biomethane
Maite Pijuan, Catalan Institute of Investigation of Water, Girona, Spain
Biological municipal and industrial wastewater treatment, resource recovery, greenhouse gas emission mitigation from wastewater systems, circular economy, fate and occurrence of emerging pollutants in wastewater environments
Neil Rowan, Athlone Institute of Technology, Athlone, Ireland
Microbiology, Parasitology, Transnational Modelling, Risk Evaluation, Emerging Pollutants, Ecotoxicology, Biosecurity, Resource Utilization, Disruptive Innovation, Sustainability, Disinfection, Sterilization, Virology, COVID-19, PPE, Health, Food Systems

Editorial Board Members
Shahid Adeel, Government College University Faisalabad, Pakistan
Zeyad Alwahabi, The University of Adelaide School of Chemical Engineering and Advanced Materials, Australia
Alicia Kyoungjin An, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
Membrane fabrication and characterization, Nanofibrous composite membrane, Membrane Distillation, Forward-osmosis, Photothermal membrane, Emerging pollutants removal
Ashley Ansari, University of Wollongong, Australia
Water and wastewater treatment technologies, Water recycling, Resource recovery from wastewater, Membrane separation
Jaewoon Cho, Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology, South Korea
Particle Separation, Transport Phenomena, Treatment Wetland System, Natural Organic Matter
Tai-Shung Chung, National University of Singapore Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Singapore
His research focuses on polymeric membranes for clean water and clean energy
Valeria Di Sarli, National Research Council Institute for Research on Combustion, Italy
Dionysios Dionysiou, University of Cincinnati, Environmental Engineering and Science Program, Department of Chemical and Environmental Engineering, United States of America
Water Quality, Water Treatment, Advanced Oxidation Technologies, Harmful Algal Blooms, Environmental Nanotechnology

Guilherme Luiz Dotto, Federal University of Santa Maria, Department of Chemical Engineering, Brazil
Adsorption/biosorption of contaminants from aqueous solutions, preparation and characterization of biomaterials and nanobiomaterials, wastewater treatment, wastes management, and reuse, drying of biomaterials, statistical optimization, experimental design, response surface methodology, linear and non-linear regression analysis

Despo Fatta-Kassinos, University of Cyprus, Cyprus
contaminants of emerging concern, wastewater advanced treatment, advanced oxidation processes, reclaimed water reuse, antimicrobial resistance and the environment

Nurul Abdul Halim, University of Malaysia Kelantan, Malaysia
Fabrication of electrospun fibers and polymer inclusion membrane particularly for water and waste water treatment (heavy metals, dyes etc.).

Zhen (Jason) He, Washington University in St. Louis, Department of Energy, Environmental and Chemical Engineering, United States of America
Water pollution and treatment, Environmental biotechnology, Resource recovery from wastes, Bioelectrochemical systems, Bioenergy, Membrane technology, Bioremediation, Desalination

Nidal Hilal, New York University - Abu Dhabi Campus, United Arab Emirates
Membrane separation, Desalination, Water treatment

Todd Hoare, McMaster University, Canada
Hydrogels, Microgels, Drug delivery, Tissue engineering, Bioprinting, Smart materials, Biosensors

İdil Yılmaz İpek, Ege University Department of Chemical Engineering, Turkey
Evaluation of agricultural waste, slow prolysis, biochar, Water and wastewater treatment, Ion Exchange, Adsorption, Membrane process, Emulsions, Pickering Emulsions, Membrane Emulsification, Photocatalytic Degradation, Particle Technology, biosorbent, sustainable agriculture

Hafiz M. N. Iqbal, Technological and Higher Education Institute of Monterrey, School of Engineering and Sciences, Mexico
Environmental Engineering, Bioengineering, Biomedical Engineering, Bioremediation, Emerging contaminants, Wastewater treatment, Biomaterials, Bio-catalysis, Enzymes, Enzyme-based pollutant degradation, Immobilization, Toxic heavy elements, Liquid and solid waste management, Valorization of agro-industrial wastes and by-products

NALAN KABAY, Ege University, Turkey
Separation processes, Desalination, Membrane technologies (RO, NF, UF, ED, EDI, RED, EDR), Ion exchange/ion exchange resins/ ion exchange membranes, Boron and lithium separations and recovery, Environmental clean-up processes, Blue energy, Biodiesel/biogas production, Wastewater reclamation and reuse, Geothermal Water Treatment

Kyoung-Woong Kim, Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology, South Korea
Manish Kumar, Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar, India

George Z. Kyzas, International Hellenic University - Kavala Campus, Greece
Synthesis of various nanomaterials (inorganic, aluminates, polymers, graphenes, agro-food residues, etc.) for the treatment of wastewaters (dyes, heavy metals, pharmaceuticals, phenols, oil-spills, etc) with applications in Industry

ZHENYU LI, Northwest Agriculture and Forestry University, China
Water treatment, Desalination, Membrane technology, Other industries (food and drink)

Luu Tran Le, Vietnamese German University, Viet Nam
Advanced oxidation processes, Electrochemical water treatment, Absorbents, Membrane bioreactor, Biological wastewater treatment, Desalination, Capacitive Deionization, Water reuse, Environmental monitoring, Sensor technology

Sungyun Lee, Kyungpook National University, South Korea
Membrane process, Desalination, Forward osmosis, Pressure retarded osmosis, Nanoparticle

Abdul Wahab Mohammad, National University of Malaysia, Malaysia
Application of membrane and separation technology in particular for water and wastewater treatment

Sankar Nair, Georgia Institute of Technology School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, United States of America
Creating, understanding, and engineering nanoporous materials, thin films, and membranes with processing strategies that reduce material dimensions to the nanometer scale or that impart nanostructure to a material
Shi-Peng Sun, Nanjing Tech University, College of Chemical Engineering, National Engineering Research Center for Special Separation Membrane, China
Membranes, Nanofiltration, Hollow fiber, Water treatment,
Meiping Tong, Peking University College of Environmental Science and Engineering, China
Transport of nanoparticles, bacteria, microplastics in natural and engineered systems, Heteroaggregation of colloids, Toxicity of nanomaterials, Bacterial disinfection, Organic pollutant degradation, Heavy metal removal.
Bart Van der Bruggen, KU Leuven Science and Technology Group Department of Chemical Engineering, Belgium
Nanofiltration, Electrodialysis, Pervaporation, Membrane contactors, Membrane synthesis
Paola Verlicchi, University of Ferrara, Italy
Water treatment, Wastewater treatments, Reuse of reclaimed water, Occurrence and removal of pharmaceuticals from (waste)water, Hospital effluent management and treatment, Petrochemical wastewater treatment, Environmental risk assessment
Fang Wang, Institute of Soil Science Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
Soil pollution and remediation, Persistent organic pollutants, Emerging Contaminants, Antibiotics and resistant gene, Phthalate ester and microplastics, Biochar, Biodegradation, Biofilms, Analytical method
Yeomin Yoon, University of South Carolina, United States of America
Water treatment, Membrane filtration, Adsorption, Sonodegradation, Oxidation, Micropollutants, Nanotechnology
Cailiang Zhang, Zhejiang University, China
Polymer reaction engineering, reactive extrusion, polymer blending & alloying, supercritical fluid assisted polymer manufacturing and processing.
Haibo Zhang, Zhejiang A and F University, China
Antibiotics pollution in soil, Microplastics pollution in soils and water, Soil remediation
GUIDE FOR AUTHORS

Your Paper Your Way
We now differentiate between the requirements for new and revised submissions. You may choose to submit your manuscript as a single Word or PDF file to be used in the refereeing process. Only when your paper is at the revision stage, will you be requested to put your paper in to a 'correct format' for acceptance and provide the items required for the publication of your article.

To find out more, please visit the Preparation section below.

Submission checklist
You can use this list to carry out a final check of your submission before you send it to the journal for review. Please check the relevant section in this Guide for Authors for more details.

Ensure that the following items are present:

One author has been designated as the corresponding author with contact details:
- E-mail address
- Full postal address

All necessary files have been uploaded:
Manuscript:
- Include keywords
- All figures (include relevant captions)
- All tables (including titles, description, footnotes)
- Ensure all figure and table citations in the text match the files provided
- Indicate clearly if color should be used for any figures in print

Graphical Abstracts / Highlights files (where applicable)

Supplemental files (where applicable)

Further considerations
- Manuscript has been 'spell checked' and 'grammar checked'
- All references mentioned in the Reference List are cited in the text, and vice versa
- Permission has been obtained for use of copyrighted material from other sources (including the Internet)
- A competing interests statement is provided, even if the authors have no competing interests to declare
- Journal policies detailed in this guide have been reviewed
- Referee suggestions and contact details provided, based on journal requirements

For further information, visit our Support Center.

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Ethics in publishing
Please see our information on Ethics in publishing.

Declaration of competing interest
All authors must disclose any financial and personal relationships with other people or organizations that could inappropriately influence (bias) their work. Examples of potential conflicts of interest include employment, consultancies, stock ownership, honoraria, paid expert testimony, patent applications/registrations, and grants or other funding. Authors should create a declaration of competing interest statement using this tool and upload to the submission system at the Attach Files step. Note: Please do not convert the .docx template to another file type. Author signatures are not required.

Submission declaration and verification
Submission of an article implies that the work described has not been published previously (except in the form of an abstract, a published lecture or academic thesis, see 'Multiple, redundant or concurrent publication' for more information), that it is not under consideration for publication elsewhere, that its publication is approved by all authors and tacitly or explicitly by the responsible authorities where the work was carried out, and that, if accepted, it will not be published elsewhere in the same form,
English or in any other language, including electronically without the written consent of the copyright-holder. To verify originality, your article may be checked by the originality detection service Crossref Similarity Check.

Preprints
Please note that preprints can be shared anywhere at any time, in line with Elsevier's sharing policy. Sharing your preprints e.g. on a preprint server will not count as prior publication (see 'Multiple, redundant or concurrent publication' for more information).

Use of inclusive language
Inclusive language acknowledges diversity, conveys respect to all people, is sensitive to differences, and promotes equal opportunities. Content should make no assumptions about the beliefs or commitments of any reader; contain nothing which might imply that one individual is superior to another on the grounds of age, gender, race, ethnicity, culture, sexual orientation, disability or health condition; and use inclusive language throughout. Authors should ensure that writing is free from bias, stereotypes, slang, reference to dominant culture and/or cultural assumptions. We advise to seek gender neutrality by using plural nouns ("clinicians, patients/clients") as default/wherever possible to avoid using "he, she," or "he/she." We recommend avoiding the use of descriptors that refer to personal attributes such as age, gender, race, ethnicity, culture, sexual orientation, disability or health condition unless they are relevant and valid. These guidelines are meant as a point of reference to help identify appropriate language but are by no means exhaustive or definitive.

Changes to authorship
Authors are expected to consider carefully the list and order of authors before submitting their manuscript and provide the definitive list of authors at the time of the original submission. Any addition, deletion or rearrangement of author names in the authorship list should be made only before the manuscript has been accepted and only if approved by the journal Editor. To request such a change, the Editor must receive the following from the corresponding author: (a) the reason for the change in author list and (b) written confirmation (e-mail, letter) from all authors that they agree with the addition, removal or rearrangement. In the case of addition or removal of authors, this includes confirmation from the author being added or removed.

Only in exceptional circumstances will the Editor consider the addition, deletion or rearrangement of authors after the manuscript has been accepted. While the Editor considers the request, publication of the manuscript will be suspended. If the manuscript has already been published in an online issue, any requests approved by the Editor will result in a corrigendum.

Copyright
Upon acceptance of an article, authors will be asked to complete a 'License Agreement' (see more information on this). Permitted third party reuse of open access articles is determined by the author’s choice of user license.

Author rights
As an author you (or your employer or institution) have certain rights to reuse your work. More information.

Elsevier supports responsible sharing
Find out how you can share your research published in Elsevier journals.

Role of the funding source
You are requested to identify who provided financial support for the conduct of the research and/or preparation of the article and to briefly describe the role of the sponsor(s), if any, in study design; in the collection, analysis and interpretation of data; in the writing of the report; and in the decision to submit the article for publication. If the funding source(s) had no such involvement then this should be stated.

Open access
Please visit our Open Access page for more information.

Elsevier Researcher Academy
Researcher Academy is a free e-learning platform designed to support early and mid-career researchers throughout their research journey. The "Learn" environment at Researcher Academy offers several interactive modules, webinars, downloadable guides and resources to guide you through the process of writing for research and going through peer review. Feel free to use these free resources to improve your submission and navigate the publication process with ease.
Language (usage and editing services)
Please write your text in good English (American or British usage is accepted, but not a mixture of these). Authors who feel their English language manuscript may require editing to eliminate possible grammatical or spelling errors and to conform to correct scientific English may wish to use the English Language Editing service available from Elsevier's Author Services.

Submission
Our online submission system guides you stepwise through the process of entering your article details and uploading your files. The system converts your article files to a single PDF file used in the peer-review process. Editable files (e.g., Word, LaTeX) are required to typeset your article for final publication. All correspondence, including notification of the Editor's decision and requests for revision, is sent by e-mail.

Referees
Please submit the names and institutional e-mail addresses of several potential referees. For more details, visit our Support site. Note that the editor retains the sole right to decide whether or not the suggested reviewers are used.

PREPARATION

NEW SUBMISSIONS
Submission to this journal proceeds totally online and you will be guided stepwise through the creation and uploading of your files. The system automatically converts your files to a single PDF file, which is used in the peer-review process.
As part of the Your Paper Your Way service, you may choose to submit your manuscript as a single file to be used in the refereeing process. This can be a PDF file or a Word document, in any format or layout that can be used by referees to evaluate your manuscript. It should contain high enough quality figures for refereeing. If you prefer to do so, you may still provide all or some of the source files at the initial submission. Please note that individual figure files larger than 10 MB must be uploaded separately.

References
There are no strict requirements on reference formatting at submission. References can be in any style or format as long as the style is consistent. Where applicable, author(s) name(s), journal title/book title, chapter title/article title, year of publication, volume number/book chapter and the article number or pagination must be present. Use of DOI is highly encouraged. The reference style used by the journal will be applied to the accepted article by Elsevier at the proof stage. Note that missing data will be highlighted at proof stage for the author to correct.

Formatting requirements
There are no strict formatting requirements but all manuscripts must contain the essential elements needed to convey your manuscript, for example Abstract, Keywords, Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Conclusions, Artwork and Tables with Captions.
If your article includes any Videos and/or other Supplementary material, this should be included in your initial submission for peer review purposes.
Divide the article into clearly defined sections.

Figures and tables embedded in text
Please ensure the figures and the tables included in the single file are placed next to the relevant text in the manuscript, rather than at the bottom or the top of the file. The corresponding caption should be placed directly below the figure or table.

Peer review
This journal operates a single anonymized review process. All contributions will be initially assessed by the editor for suitability for the journal. Papers deemed suitable are then typically sent to a minimum of one independent expert reviewer to assess the scientific quality of the paper. The Editor is responsible for the final decision regarding acceptance or rejection of articles. The Editor's decision is final. Editors are not involved in decisions about papers which they have written themselves or have been written by family members or colleagues or which relate to products or services in which the editor has an interest. Any such submission is subject to all of the journal's usual procedures, with peer review handled independently of the relevant editor and their research groups. More information on types of peer review.

REVISED SUBMISSIONS
Use of word processing software
Regardless of the file format of the original submission, at revision you must provide us with an editable file of the entire article. Keep the layout of the text as simple as possible. Most formatting codes will be removed and replaced on processing the article. The electronic text should be prepared in a way very similar to that of conventional manuscripts (see also the Guide to Publishing with Elsevier). See also the section on Electronic artwork.
To avoid unnecessary errors you are strongly advised to use the 'spell-check' and 'grammar-check' functions of your word processor.

Article structure
The suggested structure of the main body of your article is as follows. You are strongly advised to organize your article in this order, unless such a structure doesn't apply to your research.

Introduction
State the objectives of the work, provide an adequate background, and indicate thermal engineering problems to be addressed:
• Thermal issues in industrial applications
• Thermal efficiency
• Thermal management
• The use of theory or conceptual categories that guide the research and analysis of data

Experimental methods
Provide detailed experimental methods being used, such as:
• Visual examination
• Thermal property determination
• Thermography
• Temperature and heat flux measurements
• Experimental thermal analysis
• Thermal-mechanical properties
• Microscale thermal measurements
• Thermal efficiency measurements

Engineering analysis
• Thermal engineering modeling
• Numerical analysis

Discussion on the results, the mechanism that caused thermal issues and the thermal solutions

Conclusion and Recommendations

Word limits
Papers should not exceed 2000 words, 20 references or 5 figures. An abstract of no more than 200 words should also be included.

Essential title page information
• Title. Concise and informative. Titles are often used in information-retrieval systems. Avoid abbreviations and formulae where possible.
• Author names and affiliations. Please clearly indicate the given name(s) and family name(s) of each author and check that all names are accurately spelled. You can add your name between parentheses in your own script behind the English transliteration. Present the authors' affiliation addresses (where the actual work was done) below the names. Indicate all affiliations with a lowercase superscript letter immediately after the author's name and in front of the appropriate address. Provide the full postal address of each affiliation, including the country name and, if available, the e-mail address of each author.
• Corresponding author. Clearly indicate who will handle correspondence at all stages of refereeing and publication, also post-publication. This responsibility includes answering any future queries about Methodology and Materials. Ensure that the e-mail address is given and that contact details are kept up to date by the corresponding author.
• **Present/permanent address.** If an author has moved since the work described in the article was done, or was visiting at the time, a 'Present address' (or 'Permanent address') may be indicated as a footnote to that author's name. The address at which the author actually did the work must be retained as the main, affiliation address. Superscript Arabic numerals are used for such footnotes.

**Highlights**

Highlights are optional yet highly encouraged for this journal, as they increase the discoverability of your article via search engines. They consist of a short collection of bullet points that capture the novel results of your research as well as new methods that were used during the study (if any). Please have a look at the examples here: [example Highlights](#).

Highlights should be submitted in a separate editable file in the online submission system. Please use 'Highlights' in the file name and include 3 to 5 bullet points (maximum 85 characters, including spaces, per bullet point).

**Abstract**

A concise and factual abstract is required. The abstract should state briefly the purpose of the research, the principal results and major conclusions. An abstract is often presented separately from the article, so it must be able to stand alone. For this reason, References should be avoided, but if essential, then cite the author(s) and year(s). Also, non-standard or uncommon abbreviations should be avoided, but if essential they must be defined at their first mention in the abstract itself.

**Graphical abstract**

Although a graphical abstract is optional, its use is encouraged as it draws more attention to the online article. The graphical abstract should summarize the contents of the article in a concise, pictorial form designed to capture the attention of a wide readership. Graphical abstracts should be submitted as a separate file in the online submission system. Image size: Please provide an image with a minimum of $531 \times 1328$ pixels $(h \times w)$ or proportionally more. The image should be readable at a size of $5 \times 13$ cm using a regular screen resolution of 96 dpi. Preferred file types: TIFF, EPS, PDF or MS Office files. You can view [Example Graphical Abstracts](#) on our information site.

Authors can make use of Elsevier's [Illustration Services](#) to ensure the best presentation of their images and in accordance with all technical requirements.

**Keywords**

Immediately after the abstract, provide a maximum of 6 keywords, using American spelling and avoiding general and plural terms and multiple concepts (avoid, for example, 'and', 'of'). Be sparing with abbreviations: only abbreviations firmly established in the field may be eligible. These keywords will be used for indexing purposes.

**Abbreviations**

Define abbreviations that are not standard in this field in a footnote to be placed on the first page of the article. Such abbreviations that are unavoidable in the abstract must be defined at their first mention there, as well as in the footnote. Ensure consistency of abbreviations throughout the article.

**Acknowledgements**

Collate acknowledgements in a separate section at the end of the article before the references and do not, therefore, include them on the title page, as a footnote to the title or otherwise. List here those individuals who provided help during the research (e.g., providing language help, writing assistance or proof reading the article, etc.).

**Formatting of funding sources**

List funding sources in this standard way to facilitate compliance to funder's requirements:

Funding: This work was supported by the National Institutes of Health [grant numbers xxxx, yyyy]; the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Seattle, WA [grant number zzzz]; and the United States Institutes of Peace [grant number aaaa].

It is not necessary to include detailed descriptions on the program or type of grants and awards. When funding is from a block grant or other resources available to a university, college, or other research institution, submit the name of the institute or organization that provided the funding.

If no funding has been provided for the research, please include the following sentence:
This research did not receive any specific grant from funding agencies in the public, commercial, or not-for-profit sectors.

Math formulae
Please submit math equations as editable text and not as images. Present simple formulae in line with normal text where possible and use the solidus (/) instead of a horizontal line for small fractional terms, e.g., X/Y. In principle, variables are to be presented in italics. Powers of e are often more conveniently denoted by exp. Number consecutively any equations that have to be displayed separately from the text (if referred to explicitly in the text).

Footnotes
Footnotes should be used sparingly. Number them consecutively throughout the article. Many word processors build footnotes into the text, and this feature may be used. Should this not be the case, indicate the position of footnotes in the text and present the footnotes themselves separately at the end of the article.

Artwork
Electronic artwork
General points
- Make sure you use uniform lettering and sizing of your original artwork.
- Preferred fonts: Arial (or Helvetica), Times New Roman (or Times), Symbol, Courier.
- Number the illustrations according to their sequence in the text.
- Use a logical naming convention for your artwork files.
- Indicate per figure if it is a single, 1.5 or 2-column fitting image.
- For Word submissions only, you may still provide figures and their captions, and tables within a single file at the revision stage.
- Please note that individual figure files larger than 10 MB must be provided in separate source files.

A detailed guide on electronic artwork is available.
You are urged to visit this site; some excerpts from the detailed information are given here.

Formats
Regardless of the application used, when your electronic artwork is finalized, please 'save as' or convert the images to one of the following formats (note the resolution requirements for line drawings, halftones, and line/halftone combinations given below):
EPS (or PDF): Vector drawings. Embed the font or save the text as 'graphics'.
TIFF (or JPG): Color or grayscale photographs (halftones): always use a minimum of 300 dpi.
TIFF (or JPG): Bitmaped line drawings: use a minimum of 1000 dpi.
TIFF (or JPG): Combinations bitmapped line/half-tone (color or grayscale): a minimum of 500 dpi is required.

Please do not:
- Supply files that are optimized for screen use (e.g., GIF, BMP, PICT, WPG); the resolution is too low.
- Supply files that are too low in resolution.
- Submit graphics that are disproportionately large for the content.

Color artwork
Please make sure that artwork files are in an acceptable format (TIFF (or JPEG), EPS (or PDF), or MS Office files) and with the correct resolution. If, together with your accepted article, you submit usable color figures then Elsevier will ensure, at no additional charge, that these figures will appear in color online (e.g., ScienceDirect and other sites) regardless of whether or not these illustrations are reproduced in color in the printed version. For color reproduction in print, you will receive information regarding the costs from Elsevier after receipt of your accepted article. Please indicate your preference for color: in print or online only. Further information on the preparation of electronic artwork.

Illustration services
Elsevier's Author Services offers Illustration Services to authors preparing to submit a manuscript but concerned about the quality of the images accompanying their article. Elsevier's expert illustrators can produce scientific, technical and medical-style images, as well as a full range of charts, tables and graphs. Image 'polishing' is also available, where our illustrators take your image(s) and improve them to a professional standard. Please visit the website to find out more.
Figure captions
Ensure that each illustration has a caption. A caption should comprise a brief title (not on the figure itself) and a description of the illustration. Keep text in the illustrations themselves to a minimum but explain all symbols and abbreviations used.

Tables
Please submit tables as editable text and not as images. Tables can be placed either next to the relevant text in the article, or on separate page(s) at the end. Number tables consecutively in accordance with their appearance in the text and place any table notes below the table body. Be sparing in the use of tables and ensure that the data presented in them do not duplicate results described elsewhere in the article. Please avoid using vertical rules and shading in table cells.

References
Citation in text
Please ensure that every reference cited in the text is also present in the reference list (and vice versa). Any references cited in the abstract must be given in full. Unpublished results and personal communications are not recommended in the reference list, but may be mentioned in the text. If these references are included in the reference list they should follow the standard reference style of the journal and should include a substitution of the publication date with either 'Unpublished results' or 'Personal communication'. Citation of a reference as 'in press' implies that the item has been accepted for publication.

Web references
As a minimum, the full URL should be given and the date when the reference was last accessed. Any further information, if known (DOI, author names, dates, reference to a source publication, etc.), should also be given. Web references can be listed separately (e.g., after the reference list) under a different heading if desired, or can be included in the reference list.

Data references
This journal encourages you to cite underlying or relevant datasets in your manuscript by citing them in your text and including a data reference in your Reference List. Data references should include the following elements: author name(s), dataset title, data repository, version (where available), year, and global persistent identifier. Add [dataset] immediately before the reference so we can properly identify it as a data reference. The [dataset] identifier will not appear in your published article.

References in a special issue
Please ensure that the words 'this issue' are added to any references in the list (and any citations in the text) to other articles in the same Special Issue.

Reference management software
Most Elsevier journals have their reference template available in many of the most popular reference management software products. These include all products that support Citation Style Language styles, such as Mendeley. Using citation plug-ins from these products, authors only need to select the appropriate journal template when preparing their article, after which citations and bibliographies will be automatically formatted in the journal's style. If no template is yet available for this journal, please follow the format of the sample references and citations as shown in this Guide. If you use reference management software, please ensure that you remove all field codes before submitting the electronic manuscript. More information on how to remove field codes from different reference management software.

Users of Mendeley Desktop can easily install the reference style for this journal by clicking the following link:
http://open.mendeley.com/use-citation-style/case-studies-in-thermal-engineering
When preparing your manuscript, you will then be able to select this style using the Mendeley plug-ins for Microsoft Word or LibreOffice.

Reference formatting
There are no strict requirements on reference formatting at submission. References can be in any style or format as long as the style is consistent. Where applicable, author(s) name(s), journal title/book title, chapter title/article title, year of publication, volume number/book chapter and the article number or pagination must be present. Use of DOI is highly encouraged. The reference style used by the journal will be applied to the accepted article by Elsevier at the proof stage. Note that missing data will be highlighted at proof stage for the author to correct. If you do wish to format the references yourself they should be arranged according to the following examples:
Reference style

Text: Indicate references by number(s) in square brackets in line with the text. The actual authors can be referred to, but the reference number(s) must always be given.
Example: '..... as demonstrated [3,6]. Barnaby and Jones [8] obtained a different result ....'

List: Number the references (numbers in square brackets) in the list in the order in which they appear in the text.

Examples:
Reference to a journal publication:
Reference to a journal publication with an article number:
Reference to a book:
Reference to a chapter in an edited book:
Reference to a website:
Reference to a dataset:
Reference to software:

Journal abbreviations source
Journal names should be abbreviated according to the List of Title Word Abbreviations.

Video
Elsevier accepts video material and animation sequences to support and enhance your scientific research. Authors who have video or animation files that they wish to submit with their article are strongly encouraged to include links to these within the body of the article. This can be done in the same way as a figure or table by referring to the video or animation content and noting in the body text where it should be placed. All submitted files should be properly labeled so that they directly relate to the video file's content. In order to ensure that your video or animation material is directly usable, please provide the file in one of our recommended file formats with a preferred maximum size of 150 MB per file, 1 GB in total. Video and animation files supplied will be published online in the electronic version of your article on Elsevier Web products, including ScienceDirect. Please supply 'stills' with your files: you can choose any frame from the video or animation or make a separate image. These will be used instead of standard icons and will personalize the link to your video data. For more detailed instructions please visit our video instruction pages. Note: since video and animation cannot be embedded in the print version of the journal, please provide text for both the electronic and the print version for the portions of the article that refer to this content.

Supplementary material
Supplementary material such as applications, images and sound clips, can be published with your article to enhance it. Submitted supplementary items are published exactly as they are received (Excel or PowerPoint files will appear as such online). Please submit your material together with the article and supply a concise, descriptive caption for each supplementary file. If you wish to make changes to supplementary material during any stage of the process, please make sure to provide an updated file. Do not annotate any corrections on a previous version. Please switch off the 'Track Changes' option in Microsoft Office files as these will appear in the published version.
Data linking
If you have made your research data available in a data repository, you can link your article directly to the dataset. Elsevier collaborates with a number of repositories to link articles on ScienceDirect with relevant repositories, giving readers access to underlying data that gives them a better understanding of the research described.

There are different ways to link your datasets to your article. When available, you can directly link your dataset to your article by providing the relevant information in the submission system. For more information, visit the database linking page.

For supported data repositories a repository banner will automatically appear next to your published article on ScienceDirect.

In addition, you can link to relevant data or entities through identifiers within the text of your manuscript, using the following format: Database: xxxx (e.g., TAIR: AT1G01020; CCDC: 734053; PDB: 1XFN).

Mendeley Data
This journal supports Mendeley Data, enabling you to deposit any research data (including raw and processed data, video, code, software, algorithms, protocols, and methods) associated with your manuscript in a free-to-use, open access repository. During the submission process, after uploading your manuscript, you will have the opportunity to upload your relevant datasets directly to Mendeley Data. The datasets will be listed and directly accessible to readers next to your published article online.

For more information, visit the Mendeley Data for journals page.

Data in Brief
You have the option of converting any or all parts of your supplementary or additional raw data into a data article published in Data in Brief. A data article is a new kind of article that ensures that your data are actively reviewed, curated, formatted, indexed, given a DOI and made publicly available to all upon publication (watch this video describing the benefits of publishing your data in Data in Brief). You are encouraged to submit your data article for Data in Brief as an additional item directly alongside the revised version of your manuscript. If your research article is accepted, your data article will automatically be transferred over to Data in Brief where it will be editorially reviewed, published open access and linked to your research article on ScienceDirect. Please note an open access fee is payable for publication in Data in Brief. Full details can be found on the Data in Brief website. Please use this template to write your Data in Brief data article.

MethodsX
You have the option of converting relevant protocols and methods into one or multiple MethodsX articles, a new kind of article that describes the details of customized research methods. Many researchers spend a significant amount of time on developing methods to fit their specific needs or setting, but often without getting credit for this part of their work. MethodsX, an open access journal, now publishes this information in order to make it searchable, peer reviewed, citable and reproducible. Authors are encouraged to submit their MethodsX article as an additional item directly alongside the revised version of their manuscript. If your research article is accepted, your methods article will automatically be transferred over to MethodsX where it will be editorially reviewed. Please note an open access fee is payable for publication in MethodsX. Full details can be found on the MethodsX website. Please use this template to prepare your MethodsX article.

AFTER ACCEPTANCE
Online proof correction
To ensure a fast publication process of the article, we kindly ask authors to provide us with their proof corrections within two days. Corresponding authors will receive an e-mail with a link to our online proofing system, allowing annotation and correction of proofs online. The environment is similar to MS Word: in addition to editing text, you can also comment on figures/tables and answer questions from the Copy Editor. Web-based proofing provides a faster and less error-prone process by allowing you to directly type your corrections, eliminating the potential introduction of errors. If preferred, you can still choose to annotate and upload your edits on the PDF version. All instructions for proofing will be given in the e-mail we send to authors, including alternative methods to the online version and PDF.
We will do everything possible to get your article published quickly and accurately. Please use this proof only for checking the typesetting, editing, completeness and correctness of the text, tables and figures. Significant changes to the article as accepted for publication will only be considered at this stage with permission from the Editor. It is important to ensure that all corrections are sent back to us in one communication. Please check carefully before replying, as inclusion of any subsequent corrections cannot be guaranteed. Proofreading is solely your responsibility.

**Offprints**
The corresponding author will be notified and receive a link to the published version of the open access article on ScienceDirect. This link is in the form of an article DOI link which can be shared via email and social networks. For an extra charge, paper offprints can be ordered via the offprint order form which is sent once the article is accepted for publication. Both corresponding and co-authors may order offprints at any time via Elsevier's Author Services.

**AUTHOR INQUIRIES**
Visit the Elsevier Support Center to find the answers you need. Here you will find everything from Frequently Asked Questions to ways to get in touch.
You can also check the status of your submitted article or find out when your accepted article will be published.

© Copyright 2018 Elsevier | https://www.elsevier.com