

Axis Journal of Agriculture and Biological Sciences



Author Guidelines for Submission to the Axis Journal of Agriculture & Biological Sciences (AJABS)

Submission Overview

The **Axis Journal of Agriculture & Biological Sciences (AJABS)** invites submissions of original research articles, review articles, case studies, short communications, and letters to the editor. We only consider original manuscripts that are not under consideration by, or previously published in, any other publication.

Submission Categories

AJABS accepts the following types of manuscripts:

- **Original Research Articles**
- **Review Articles**
- **Case Studies / Field Reports**
- **Short Communications**
- **Letters to the Editor**

Submission Process

Manuscripts must be submitted exclusively online via the **AJABS submission portal** at <https://agri.axisacademics.com>. The corresponding author should register or log in to an existing account to complete the submission process. To ensure a double-blind peer review, the main manuscript file must be anonymized, with all author details provided separately in the online system's metadata section.

Manuscript Preparation Guidelines

General Formatting:

- **Language:** Manuscripts must be in English, adhering consistently to either British or American English standards.
- **Font and Spacing:** Use Times New Roman, size 12, with justified alignment and single line spacing.



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- **File Type:** Submit the main manuscript in a Word (.docx) format.

Manuscript Types and Specific Requirements:

Article Type	Abstract	Word Limit	Figures/Tables	References
Review Article	Unstructured (200-250 words)	Up to 3500	Max 4	Up to 75
Original Article	Structured (250 words max)	Up to 2500	Max 5	Min 20
Case Study / Field Report	Unstructured (150-200 words)	Up to 2000	Max 3	Up to 25
Short Communication	Unstructured (150 words max)	Up to 1250	Max 2	Up to 15
Letter to the Editor	Not required	250-400 words	Max 1	Up to 5

Manuscript Structure (for Original Articles):

- **Title Page:** A separate file should include the full title, author names and affiliations, and corresponding author details.
- **Abstract:** A structured abstract (for Original Articles) not exceeding 250 words, with the headings: Background, Methods, Results, and Conclusion.
- **Main Text (IMRAD Format):**
 - **Introduction:** State the problem, objectives, and significance of the study within the context of agricultural or biosocial sciences.
 - **Methods:** Detail the study design, materials, population/sample, data collection procedures, and statistical analysis. Explicitly state ethical approvals for human/animal subjects.
 - **Results:** Present findings in a logical sequence using tables and figures as needed.

- **Discussion:** Interpret the results, relate them to existing literature, and discuss implications and limitations.
- **Conclusion:** Summarize the main findings and their broader relevance.
- **References:** See below.
- **Figure and Table Legends:** Provide a concise legend for each.

Title and Keywords:

- The title should be concise and informative, clearly indicating the study's focus, key variables, and context.
- Provide 5-8 keywords that are not in the title. Use standard terms from CAB Thesaurus or AGROVOC where possible.

References:

- Adhere strictly to the **Vancouver style** (numbered).
- Number references consecutively in the order they appear in the text.
- For journal articles with more than six authors, list the first six followed by 'et al.'
- Journal name abbreviations should conform to standard indexing practices (e.g., as in CAB Abstracts).

Tables and Figures:

- Embed tables and figures within the main text where they are first cited.
- Ensure each is intelligible without reference to the text and is of high resolution.
- You must obtain and provide permission for any previously published material.

Abbreviations and Units:

- Use standard abbreviations. Define all non-standard abbreviations at first mention.
- Use International System of Units (SI). Use generic names for chemicals and biological materials.

Ethical Considerations:

- **Research Integrity:** Authors must comply with international ethical standards for research involving human participants, animal subjects, or the use of plant and genetic resources. The manuscript must include statements of ethical approval and informed consent where applicable.
- **Conflict of Interest:** All authors must disclose any financial or personal conflicts of interest that could be perceived to influence the research. A disclosure form must be completed during submission.
- **Originality:** Submissions must be original and must not have been published previously. Plagiarism in any form is unacceptable.

Review and Decision Process:

- **AJABS** employs a rigorous **double-blind peer-review process** to ensure an unbiased and critical evaluation of all manuscripts.
- Editorial decisions are based on the manuscript's scientific merit, methodological soundness, originality, relevance to the journal's scope, and compliance with these guidelines.

Publication Ethics:

- **AJABS** strictly adheres to the principles of the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) and the ICMJE Recommendations. We expect all authors to uphold the highest standards of publication ethics concerning research integrity, accurate authorship, and data transparency.

Upon Acceptance

Open Access and Copyright:

- **AJABS** is a fully Open Access journal. Upon publication, all articles are immediately and permanently free to read, download, and share under the **Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International (CC BY 4.0) license**. Authors retain copyright of their work.

Article Processing Charge (APC):

- To support the costs associated with the professional production, hosting, and dissemination of open-access content, **AJABS** levies an Article Processing Charge (APC) upon formal acceptance of a manuscript.
- **Fee Structure:**

- **Authors from Pakistan:** PKR 30,000
- **International Authors:** USD 150
- **Important Note:** No fees are required for submission, initial assessment, or the peer-review process. The APC is only applicable after a manuscript has been accepted for publication. Waivers or discounts may be available for authors with genuine financial constraints; please contact the editorial office for more information.

Data Privacy:

- **AJABS** is committed to protecting the privacy and personal data of its authors, reviewers, and readers, in accordance with our Privacy Statement.

Final Checklist Before Submission:

- Manuscript is anonymized for double-blind review.
- Formatting adheres to AJABS guidelines (Times New Roman 12, single-spaced).
- Abstract and article type meet specified word limits.
- References are in Vancouver style and correctly numbered.
- All necessary ethical statements and conflict of interest disclosures are included.
- Figures and tables are embedded in the text and are of high quality.

For further information or queries regarding the submission process, please visit our submission portal at <https://agri.axisacademics.com> or contact the editorial office. We look forward to your valuable contributions to the fields of agriculture and biological sciences.

Author Guidelines and Financial Policies

Overview

The **Axis Journal of Agriculture & Biological Sciences (AJABS)** serves as a premier platform for groundbreaking research in sustainable farming, food security, climate-smart practices, crop science, livestock, and biosocial sciences. We welcome a diverse range of manuscripts, including original research, systematic reviews, case studies, short communications, and letters to the editor.

Manuscript Preparation and Submission Requirements

Originality: Manuscripts must be original, unpublished, and not under consideration by any other publication.

Formatting:

- **Language:** English (consistent use of British or American English).
- **Font:** Times New Roman, 12-point.
- **Spacing:** Single-line.
- **Alignment:** Justified.

Manuscript Types and Length:

Article Type	Abstract	Word Limit	Figures/Tables	References
Original Research	Structured (250 words)	Up to 6000	Max 6	Up to 60
Reviews & Meta-Analyses	Unstructured (250 words)	Up to 5000	Max 6	Up to 100
Case Studies / Field Reports	Unstructured (150 words)	Up to 2000	Max 3	Up to 25
Short Communications	Unstructured (150 words)	Up to 2000	Max 2	Up to 15
Letters to the Editor	Not required	400 words	Max 1	Up to 5

Manuscript Structure: For research articles, follow the IMRAD format (Introduction, Methods, Results, and Discussion). Include a Conclusion section.

Keywords: Provide 5-8 keywords after the abstract, using standard terms from CAB Thesaurus or AGROVOC.

References: Use the **Vancouver citation style** (numbered). References must be accurate, complete, and numbered consecutively.

Figures and Tables: Embed within the text at appropriate points. Ensure high resolution and clarity, with descriptive titles and legends.

Online Submission Process

- **Submission Portal:** Manuscripts must be submitted electronically via the **AJABS submission portal** at <https://agri.axisacademics.com>.
- **Anonymization:** The main manuscript file must be anonymized for double-blind peer review.
- **Ethical Statements:** Include statements on ethics approval, informed consent (for human subjects), animal welfare, and conflicts of interest.
- **Data Sharing Statement:** Authors are encouraged to include a statement on data availability.

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Subscription Charges:

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- **Authors from Pakistan:** PKR 30,000
 - **International Authors:** USD 150
- No APC is charged if the manuscript is rejected.*

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submit a detailed waiver request to the editorial office, including a justification and evidence of financial need.

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Review and Decision Process

- **Peer Review: AJABS** employs a rigorous **double-blind peer-review process** to ensure impartial and critical evaluation.
- **Editorial Decision:** The final decision is based on scientific merit, originality, relevance, and compliance with journal standards. Manuscripts may be accepted, sent for revision, or rejected.
- **Publication:** Accepted manuscripts are professionally processed and published online in the next available issue.

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