Policy on Artificial Intelligence and Writing Tools
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1. Policy Overview
1.1 Purpose
This policy establishes clear guidelines for the responsible use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools and writing assistants in scholarly manuscript preparation, review, and publication processes. The policy aims to ensure transparency, maintain academic integrity, and uphold human authorship accountability while recognizing the evolving role of AI in research.

1.2 Scope
This policy applies to:
- All authors submitting to Le celtique Publications
- Reviewers participating in the peer review process
- Editors and editorial staff
- All manuscript types (research articles, reviews, communications)
- All stages from manuscript preparation to final publication

1.3 Definitions
- AI Writing Tools: Generative AI systems that produce text, code, or visual content (e.g., ChatGPT, Claude, Gemini, Copilot, etc.,)
- AI Analysis Tools: AI systems used for data analysis, statistical calculations, or literature review (e.g., GeneAI, Elicit, Consensus, etc.,)
- AI Editing Tools: Grammar checkers, style editors, and language polishing tools (e.g., Grammarly, Wordtune, QuillBot, etc.,)
- Human Authorship: Intellectual contribution where humans maintain ultimate responsibility for content

2. Permitted Uses of AI Tools
2.1 Pre-submission Preparation
Authors may use AI tools for:
- Improving language clarity and grammar (editing tools)
- Generating bibliographies or formatting references
- Translation assistance for non-native English speakers
- Brainstorming research ideas or structuring outlines
- Data analysis and visualization (statistical AI tools)
- Code generation for simulations or analysis

2.2 During Revision Process
Authors may use AI tools for:
- Responding to reviewer comments (language refinement only)
- Improving manuscript readability
- Formatting revisions
- Checking calculations or statistical analyses

3. Prohibited Uses of AI Tools
3.1 Strictly Prohibited
Authors must not use AI tools to:
- Generate substantial portions of the manuscript text without human intellectual input(concepts, innovation, research ideas, hypotheses, or interpretations, original idea and idea generation)
- Write literature reviews or discussion sections without human synthesis
- Fabricate data, references, or citations
- Generate original figures, tables, or schematics without human verification
- Generate peer review reports (for reviewers)
- Make editorial decisions (for editors)

4. Declaration Requirements
4.1 Mandatory AI Declaration
Authors must include the following statement in the Acknowledgments section if any AI tools are used:
text
AI Tool Declaration:
During the preparation of this work, the author(s) used [Name of AI Tool/Service] to [specify purpose, e.g., "improve language clarity," "generate Python code for data analysis," "assist with reference formatting"]. After using this tool/service, the author(s) reviewed and edited the content as needed and take(s) full responsibility for the content of the publication.

4.2 Levels of AI Use Declaration

Level	AI Usage	Declaration Required
Level 0	No AI tools used	No declaration needed
Level 1	Editing/grammar tools only	"Grammar checking tools used"
Level 2	AI-assisted data analysis/code generation	Full declaration with tool names
Level 3	AI-assisted writing of minor sections	Full declaration with details of human oversight
Level 4	Extensive AI text generation	MANUSCRIPT MAY BE REJECTED

4.3 Non-declaration Consequences
Failure to declare AI tool usage constitutes academic misconduct and may result in:
- Immediate rejection
- Retraction of published articles
- Notification to authors' institutions
- Ban from future submissions (1-3 years)

5. Peer Review and AI
5.1 Reviewers' Responsibilities
Reviewers must not:
- Use AI tools to generate review reports
- Share manuscript content with AI tools (violates confidentiality)
- Use AI to evaluate manuscript originality without human judgment
Reviewers may:
- Use grammar checkers on their review comments
- Use reference managers

5.2 Detection of AI-generated Content
The editorial office:
- Reserves the right to use AI detection tools on submissions
- Will not rely solely on AI detection scores
- Will consider AI detection as one factor among many
- Will give authors opportunity to explain flagged content