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1. Open Access Policy

1.1 Commitment to Open Science

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- All published content is archived with Le Celtique publications or **Portico** or **CLOCKSS** digital preservation systems
- Authors may self-archive the published PDF version in institutional repositories immediately upon publication
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1.3 Article Processing Charges (APCs)

Current Policy: No article processing or submission charges are required from authors.

Funding Model: Publication costs are covered by Le Celtique Publications through institutional support and conference partnerships.

2. Copyright and Licensing

2.1 License Applied

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3. Publication Ethics

3.1 Authorship Criteria

Authorship is based on substantial contributions to **ALL** of the following:

1. Conception/design of work OR data acquisition/analysis/interpretation
2. Drafting or critically revising the manuscript
3. Final approval of the version to be published
4. Agreement to be accountable for all aspects of the work

3.2 Author Responsibilities

Authors must:

- Ensure the work is original and not plagiarized
- Disclose all conflicts of interest
- Obtain permissions for third-party material



- Provide accurate data and methodologies
- Participate in peer review process
- Notify the journal of significant errors post-publication

3.3 Peer Review Policy

- **Type:** Double-blind peer review
- **Timeframe:** Initial decision within 4-6 weeks
- **Reviewers:** Minimum of two independent experts
- **Criteria:** Originality, significance, methodology, clarity, ethics
- **Appeals:** Authors may appeal decisions with valid justification

3.4 Plagiarism Screening

All submissions are screened using **iThenticate** or similar software. Similarity exceeding 20% (excluding references and quotes) may be rejected or returned for revision.

4. Editorial Policies

4.1 Submission Requirements

- Must follow the journal template
- Must include all required sections
- Must be in clear academic English
- Must include ORCID iDs for all authors
- Must complete all declarations

4.2 Editorial Independence

- Editors make decisions based solely on academic merit
- No influence from commercial interests
- Editorial board members may not handle their own submissions

5. Data Sharing Policy

5.1 Data Availability

Authors must include a **Data Availability Statement** indicating:

- Where data can be accessed
- Any restrictions on access
- If data is available upon request
- Repository DOI if publicly archived

5.2 Recommended Repositories

- **General data:** Zenodo, Figshare, Mendeley Data
- **Code:** GitHub, GitLab, Code Ocean
- **Sensor data:** IEEE DataPort, Dryad

5.3 Citation of Data

Published datasets should be cited in references with DOIs.

6. Corrections and Retractions

6.1 Corrections

Minor errors are corrected via **Erratum** notices linked to the original article.

6.2 Retractions

Articles may be retracted for:

- Unreliable findings due to error or misconduct
- Plagiarism or duplicate publication
- Ethical violations
- Legal concerns

6.3 Expressions of Concern

Issued when concerns are serious but investigation is ongoing.

7. Complaints and Appeals

7.1 Process

Complaints should be emailed to: info@celtiquepublications.fr

All complaints are reviewed by the Editorial Ethics Committee within 30 days.

7.2 Scope

- Editorial decisions
- Ethical concerns
- Copyright issues
- Author disputes