





GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE AUTHORS

General guidelines

- 1. Only original research articles or reviews dealing with *plant sciences* (horticulture, genetics, plant pathology, pests, agro meteorology, plant physiology, agro-botany, etc.), *animal sciences* (domestic and wild animals, feed sciences, animal genetics, animal physiology, etc.), *agricultural engineering* (mechanisation, precision farming, green energy, etc.), *environmental sciences*, *food sciences*, *agricultural economics*, *rural development* and not published elsewhere before can be published in the journal.
- 2. Articles written *in English or in Hungarian* can be published in our journal, depending whether the given new scientific results would evoke national or international interest more. English materials are favoured when making up the new issue.
- 3. Only manuscripts totally in concordance with the formal requirements listed below are accepted.
- 4. Please, upload your manuscript together with the supporting materials on the following surface: https://aao.ddc.sze.hu
- 5. The journal *Acta Agronomica Óváriensis* promotes rigour, reproducibility and transparency in science. It strives to ensure that scientific articles reflect these values while minimising the burden on authors in preparing for publication of scientific results.

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1. Formal requirements

- 1.1. Please prepare your manuscript in Microsoft Word using the *Acta manuscript template*. Manuscripts must contain *at least 5000*, but *not more than 8000 words*, together with tables and figures, written with Calibri letter type 12 pt. letter size, leaving 2 cm margins on both sides. (In case of *short communications* number of words *can't exceed 4000*.) Use black letters on one side of office (A4) papers, with simple line spacing. Please, avoid using headers and footers.
- 1.2. Chapter and subchapter headings and other separate sections should be separated from the preceding text as indicated in the manuscript template.



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- 1.3. Known foreign words have to be written as pronounced, in case of those not in common use yet please, use the original spelling.
- 1.4. Next to the English names of species the scientific one also has to be indicated with italics (in special cases even in the title). Breed names have to be indicated according to what accepted in the classification/ breed standard, also with italics (e.g.: Sinapis alba cv. Budakalász sárga).

2. Structure of the manuscript

- 2.1. Name of the author(s), their ORCiD identifiers, their affiliation(s) along with the location of the institution(s) have to be indicated under the title. Please, avoid giving full addresses. We're not publishing the academic degrees and assignments of the authors.
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- 2.3. According to the general system of scientific works and the traditions of *Acta Agronomica Óváriensis* manuscripts have to be structured to the chapters bellow:
 - Abstract (with keywords)
 - Introduction
 - Literature review
 - Materials and methods
 - Results
 - Discussion
 - Conclusion
 - References

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- Presenting and interpreting the national and international literature
- Discussion and Conclusion
- References



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- an English language abstract with the English title, and English keywords in case of Hungarian manuscripts;
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- 3.2. References have to follow ABC order and based on date of being published. Please, list every title in a new row. In case of references with a *DOI number* that have to be also indicated!

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- 4.1. Please, use *Calibri font type* in case of tables as well. If possible, do not use differently weighted lines and frames in the tables, as it is specified in the template.
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