

Guidelines for acceptance of pre-prints and campaign openings by ResearchCycles

This document describes the rules that authors (researchers and ResearchCyclers) should follow when sending a preprint to ResearchCycles (RC) for evaluation,

The company will analyze the document and after a maximum of three days, will communicate to the author via email if he is accepted to use the platform and the consequent search for funding.

What is a Pre-print for RC?

It is a version of an academic or scientific article that precedes formal peer review for publication in an academic or scientific journal; it should be subject to feedback from the co-authors who will finance the publication costs, in order to obtain an improved version that we will call a paper.

What parts should a pre-print contain?

The pre-print is a version still under construction, without the review of your new co-authors and subject to improvements; however, there are minimum requirements you must meet in order to be accepted by ResearchCycles (RC), see table below.

Parts of the pre-print	CR Requirement
Title of the contribution.	Mandatory
Authors	Do not place in the pre-print
Abstract	Required
Keyboard.	Required
Introduction	Under construction, but not non-existent
State of the art	Optional
Methodology	Under construction, but not non-existent
Results	Under construction, but not non-existent
Discussion of results	Under construction, but not non-existent
Conclusions	Under construction, but not non-existent
Acknowledgements	Optional
References	Under construction, but not non-existent

The parts of the pre-prints may have variations depending on the Journal or conference regulations where publication is required, however, these must be equivalent to those described in the table.

What format should I use?

You must consider the following sine qua non requirements:

- If you choose to manage the scientific paper on your own you must use the format established by the Journal or conference where the paper will be submitted.

- If you choose to have ResearchCycles manage your publication, you should use the Springer Nature Publisher's template for their book series, which you can find at the following address: <https://www.springer.com/gp/computer-science/lncs/conference-proceedings-guidelines>. In the case of Microsoft, use the file entitled: Microsoft Word Proceedings Templates (zip); and in the case of LaTeX, use the file: LaTeX2e Proceedings Templates (zip).

In both cases, the preprint must be uploaded to the CR platform in PDF format for evaluation.

How many pages minimum and maximum should my preprint have?

For researchers:

- If the management will be done by you, you must adjust it to the number of pages that the Journals or conferences selected suggest, keep in mind that the extra pages (if any) will only be paid if their cost is within your share of funding achieved after the campaign, otherwise it must be assumed by you.
- If the publication is to be managed by ResearchCycles, depending on the type of publication and classification, we will contact you with instructions.

For ResearchCyclers:

- If the management will be done by you, you must adjust it to the number of pages suggested by the Journal or conference selected, note that the extra pages (if any) will be deducted from your royalties, provided that the latter are sufficient to cover costs, otherwise you must make the payment on your own.
- If you select ResearchCycles management, you should note that the most common types of papers accepted for publication are full papers (12-15 + additional pages) and short papers (6-8 + additional pages), where one page constitutes 300-400 words. Very short papers (less than 4 pages) may be rejected. Please note that payment for additional pages will be deducted from your royalties.

What information will ResearchCycles ask you for to open the campaign?

If the pre-print is accepted by RC, you must upload the following documents to the platform:

- Screenshot of the first page of the preprint without names of authors, in Jpg format (it must be a readable and good quality image).
- Fill out product characterization form for researchers or ResearchCyclers, as appropriate (Google Form)
- Collaboration agreement between co-authors.
- Service Agreement (ResearchCyclers only)