

Guideline for Authors

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Supplement

- (1) These instructions came into effect on November 9, 2004 and are applicable from November 10, 2004.
- (2) In accordance with these rules, “Instruction for Authors of *Core Ethics* vol.1, 2004” (July 13, 2004) is hereby abolished.

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