



## **Guidelines for Reviewers**

As peer-review journals, we perform the quality control for submitted manuscripts by refereeing process. Without the knowledge of specialists we could not fulfill our mission. We are very grateful to our Reviewers for their effort and time spent on evaluating manuscripts for *Travaux du Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle "Grigore Antipa"*.

### **General expectations**

While preparing the reports, we ask our Referees to:

- comment on originality of presented work, how it presents in most recent literature on a topic discussed;
- evaluate authors' approach to discussed problem;
- evaluate reliability of obtained results and correctness of withdrawn conclusions;
- comment on artistic and technical aspects of paper;
- give the final evaluation of paper, inform us whether we should consider it further and what should be done in order to make it publishable (if it is possible);
- give us an idea of possible impact that the paper might have.

Please note that accepted papers will undergo language editing by native English speakers. Incorrect grammar, style or punctuation should not be the reason to reject a paper if its content warrants the publication from the scientific point of view and is readable for the Reviewer.

### **Confidentiality**

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## **Specific expectations**

*Research Papers* - manuscripts submitted to *Travaux du Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle "Grigore Antipa"* should:

1. contain original work - which is not published elsewhere in any medium by the authors or anyone else, and is not under consideration for publication in any other medium;
2. be focused on the core aims and scope of the journal - as scientific journal, we publish research results from all fields of zoology;
3. be clearly and correctly written - should contain all essential features of a complete scientific paper, should be written in a clear, easy to understand manner, and be readable for a wide audience of researchers in the field.

*Rapid Communications* - should meet the key standards listed above and additionally should report high quality new work of such importance that merits urgent publication, and should be likely to make significant impact on the current research in the relevant area.

If however a contribution is not justified to be handled via rapid channel it may be considered as a research paper, probably after expansion or revision.

*Review Articles* - should contain the most significant results of the subject under review. All reviews for *Travaux du Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle "Grigore Antipa"* should be accurate scientifically, should describe the most relevant and recent contributions, the subject matter should be discussed competently and the choice of citations should be adequate and should not overlook important contributions of other workers.

## **Technicalities**

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