

Negev, Dead Sea and Arava Studies

Instructions for authors

Negev, Dead Sea and Arava Studies is a regional journal focusing on scientific innovations in these geographic regions. The journal is published quarterly and volumes are issued in March, June, September, and December of each year. The journal accepts manuscripts on all professional themes related to the Negev, Dead Sea, and Arava regions, including: agriculture, anthropology, archeology, architecture, biology, biotechnology, ecology, economics, environmental education, environmental policy, environmental science, geography, geology, history, hydrology, marine sciences, medicine, psychology, renewable energy, sociology, tourism, etc. Particularly welcomed are interdisciplinary manuscripts. Detailed below are instructions for preparing and submitting manuscripts:

1. Manuscript submission

Manuscripts should be submitted electronically to journal@adssc.org. In the subject line, please indicate "For the journal".

2. Language

The *Negev, Dead Sea and Arava Studies* is a bilingual journal, publishing manuscripts written either in English or in Hebrew.

3. Types of manuscripts

Most of the published manuscripts are Research Articles or Review Articles. Additionally, it is also possible to submit a Short Communication, Letter to the Editor, or Perspective.

4. Manuscript length

Length of the Research Article, Review Article, and Short Communication should be up to approximately 10,000, 15,000, and 3,000 words, respectively (excluding the list of references). The length of Letter to the Editor and Perspective should be up to approximately 700 and 1,500 words, respectively.

5. Manuscript format

5.1. The manuscript will be accepted in .doc or .docx format only. The manuscript should be written in Times New Roman font, size 12, 1.5 line spacing, and aligned to the left. Both the pages and lines should be numbered sequentially.

5.2. The first page should include the manuscript's title; full names of the authors; affiliations; running head (up to 55 characters); and contact information of the corresponding author, including telephone, fax, and email address. To protect the anonymity of the author/s, this first page will not be transferred to reviewers.

5.3. The second page should include (again) the manuscript's title, after which the main document should follow.

5.4. The recommended configuration of a Research Article is: abstract (up to ~300 words, without abbreviations, symbols, or citations), keywords (up to six), introduction (including a short review of literature, followed by objectives and hypotheses), materials and methods, results, discussion, conclusions, acknowledgments, and a list of references. A Review Article should include abstract, keywords, additional sections as necessary, and a list of references. The configuration of a Short Communication should be determined by the author/s, and is generally relatively flexible. The list of references can include up to ~35 references for a Research Article, up to ~50 references for a Review Article, and up to ~20 references

for a Short Communication. Letter to the Editor should not exceed one paragraph. The configuration of Perspective should be determined by the author/s, and generally includes between three to five consecutively-written paragraphs.

5.5. Section headings should be written in bold letters. Sub-section headings should be written in italic letters. All sections (including the introduction) should be numbered sequentially (1, 2, 3 etc.). Sub-sections should be numbered as follows: 1.1., 1.2., 1.3. etc., 2.1., 2.2., .2.3. etc.

6. Tables, illustrations, and figures

Tables, illustrations, and figures may be submitted for Research Articles, Review Articles, or Short Communications only. Each table, illustration, and figure should be attached as a separate file. An additional Word file should include headings for all of the tables, illustrations, and figures. Tables and illustrations should be submitted in .doc or .docx format. Figures should be submitted in .jpg format.

7. Taxonomy

The full scientific name of a taxonomic group should be stated upon its first mention.

8. Bibliography

8.1. Citations in the main document should reference the author's last name and year of publication (e.g., Reuveni, 2005). Citations for publications by two authors should be referenced as follows: (Reuveni and Shimoni, 2006). Citations for publications by three or more authors should be referenced as follows: (Reuveni et al., 2007).

8.2. In the list of references, details of articles published in journal articles should include: author's last name, author's first letter of given name, year of publication, title of article, name of journal, volume, and pages. If available, mention also the doi. For example:

Meyerson, F.A.B., 1998. Population, development and global warming: averting the tragedy of the climate commons. *Population and Environment* 19, 443–463. doi: [10.1023/A:1024622220962](https://doi.org/10.1023/A:1024622220962)

8.3. For a book or monograph, the required details are: author's last name, author's first letter of given name, year of publication, title of book/monograph, name of publisher, and location of publisher. For example:

UN., 2011. Seven billion and growing: the role of population policy in achieving sustainability. Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, technical paper no 2011/3.

8.4. For an abstract or article in proceedings, the required details are: author's last name, author's first letter of given name, year of publication, title of abstract or article, the framework under which the proceedings was published, and location. For example:

Bindi, M., Howden, S.M., 2008. Food crops under global warming and changing water availability. In: International Meeting of the Water Tribune of Expozaragoza. Zaragoza.

8.5. For a chapter in an edited book, the required details include: author's last name, author's first letter of given name, year of publication, title of chapter, name/s of editor/s, name of book, name of publisher, location of publisher, and pages. For example:

Kandji, S.T., Verchot, L.V., Boye, A., van Noordwijk, M., Tomich, T.P., Ong, C., Palm, C., 2006. Opportunities for linking climate change adaptation and mitigation through agroforestry systems. In: Garrity, D., Okono, A., Grayson, M., Parrott, S., (eds.) World agroforestry into the future. World Agroforestry Center, Nairobi. pp. 113-122.

8.6. Links to websites (URL) should be mentioned together with the rest of the relevant details.

9. Review of manuscripts

All types of documents will be subject to peer review. Reviewing will be conducted anonymously. Upon submission, authors should provide the full names and contact information of four potential reviewers.

10. Recommendation

To follow the style of *Negev, Dead Sea and Arava Studies*, authors are encouraged to browse through manuscripts published in the journal.