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# Natural Organic Matter: C storage, Biofuels, Biodiversity, Biomarkers, Nutrients and Pollutants

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## **INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS**

## About Environmental Chemistry for a Sustainable World

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## **Pre-submission**

The corresponding author should first send a tentative title to Dr. Marie-France Dignac at <u>marie-france.dignac@inra.fr</u>, Dr. Emilie Jarde at <u>emilie.jarde@univ-rennes1.fr</u>, Dr. Laurent Jeanneau at <u>laurent.jeanneau@univ-rennes1.fr</u> and Cécile Monard at <u>cecile.monard@univ-rennes1.fr</u>, who will provide guidelines for redaction after approval.

## Submission

## The submission deadline is March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

Articles should be submitted in pdf or word file to Dr. Marie-France Dignac and Dr. Emilie Jarde. The manuscript must be accompanied by a cover letter containing a list of six suggested reviewers including title, name, postal address and e-mail address. Samples of published chapters are available upon request.

## Selection

The Editors and external peer-reviewers will evaluate manuscripts. The actual rejection rate is 30%. Only manuscripts of very high quality will be accepted.

## Publication

The book will be published in 2018. Authors will then be offered the option to publish an abridged version in the journal Environmental Chemistry Letters, of 3.6 impact factor.

## Aims and topics

We invite scientists to write high-quality literature reviews focused on the recent developments, research trends, methods and issues related to the organic matter in the environment. Topics include:

- Organic matter and carbon storage in soils– physical and chemical stabilization mechanisms; soil C stock estimates
- Organic matter and element cycling biochemical processes: C, N, P...
- Organic matter as a driver of biodiversity and nutrient resource; biotic interactions; molecular communication
- Fossil organic matter in archeology and paleontology; paleoenvironments; chemical signature
- Organic matter valorization: biofuels, biorefinery; organic residue treatment
- Organic matter as a pollutant or carrier of pollutants such as metals and pesticides.
- Anthropization of the carbon cycle

This book will include in particular contributions from the 4<sup>th</sup> seminar of the French network on organic matter (ResMO) organised in February 2018. This seminar will discuss emerging concepts of organic matter research in the context of the 2017-2021 prospective of the Continental Surfaces and Interfaces (SIC) division of the National Institute for Earth Sciences and Astronomy (INSU) of the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS).

## Articles

*ECSW* publishes *review articles* analyzing the critical points of current knowledge including substantive findings as well as theoretical and methodological contributions to a particular topic. Literature reviews are secondary sources, and as such, report no or very few original work.

## **General guidelines**

Guidelines on how to write a review article are available at http://fr.slideshare.net/lichtfouse/writea-review

General advices on writing are available in the book Scientific Writing for Impact Factor Journals at https://www.novapublishers.com/catalog/product\_info.php?products\_id=42211

## Sections

Article sections should be: Title, Authors, Author postal and e-mail addresses, Abstract, Keywords (10), Contents (list of sections), 1. Introduction, 2. Section title, 3. Section title, 3.1 Subsection title... X. Conclusion, Acknowledgments, References.

## Abstract

The abstract should be readable by a wide audience, e.g. students, policymakers and the public. The abstract should contain two sections: 1) Background/issues: this section should explain actual issues related to the topic in about 5 sentences, and 2) Major advances: this section of about 5 sentences, starting by e.g. 'Here we review... The major points are:...', should list the major trends and findings deduced by literature analysis in each section of the article.

## Text

The body text should be written in paragraphs of about 3-8 sentences. Please avoid the overuse of abbreviations. Expressions and sentences in parenthesis should be avoided.

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Articles must include well-thought figures such as graphs, schemes, tables, and color photos, e.g. one figure per section. Figure captions should include 2-3 sentences explaining the trends and their significance. Figures should indeed be understandable without reading the main text. Abbreviations in figures must be explained at the end of corresponding captions.

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