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Aim and scope of this journal

The “Initiative for Inspiring Young Minds Through Science” operates the Science Stars Journal (SCISJ). It provides an open-access platform for publishing the research results of elementary, middle, and high school students, as well as individuals involved in their education. The journal offers Japanese and English translations at no cost to the authors for readers in Japan and overseas.

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Outline

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5. The types of articles accepted include full papers, notes, reports, and reviews. Other forms of articles, such as articles approved by the editorial board, may also be published.

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1. To publish research that can be replicated later, the results must be based on at least three repetitions, not just a single experiment. However, this does not apply to observations over time or in images. Additionally, statistical analysis is recommended when discussing significant differences in results.
2. Conclusions must be derived from multiple different methodologies.
3. Experimental methods must be described in a manner that allows for subsequent verification.
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5. There is no page limit.

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