**Instruction for authors - Short communication**

**Size limitation**

Short communications are concise articles that are limited in their extent. For EPJ the extend is defined as **no longer than *1200 words* *(2 double spaced pages).***

Authors must include a statement about the word count in their submission.

**Structure**

A short communication also has a different structure than a regular article, usually without separation between the sections.

**The SC paper should contain an abstract, main body and references, and contain no more than 6 figures or tables, combined. The abstract in SC is limited to 100 words. The number of references shall be not more than 10.**

A guide to estimating paper length is as follows:

Estimate equivalent number of words for figures/tables/equations as:

One column wide (7.5 cm) figures/tables: 20 words per cm height

Two column wide (15 cm) figures/tables: 40 words per cm height

Equations: 20 words for each equation

**Example (3 page short communication):** [*https://doi.org/10.1515/afpuc-2017-0012*](https://doi.org/10.1515/afpuc-2017-0012)*“*

Short communications do not cover in detail background information about the problems treated, rather they provide key pointers to the reader. The work reported needs to be technically sound, innovative, and significantly unique, advancing the state of the art. The main driving principle is the novelty. Conference committee reserves the right to select those contributions which best comply with the following requirements:

Peer review results (short cycled)

Novelty

Impact to the state-of-the art.