

## Notes for authors for publishing technical articles

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- by explaining instruments or phenomena which our readers encounter in their daily work,
- or by presenting new ideas or concepts that are helpful to solve problems in photonics,
- or by explaining procedures and methods that can be applied directly in workshop or laboratory practice.

The articles should have an educational character, i.e. they should help to understand the working principles of photonic systems and/or underlying principles of methods applied in industries involved with photonics. **Emphasis is to be laid on technological principles, rather than on details of a specific product.**

### Manuscript guidelines

- Publications are normally limited to **3, max. 4 printed pages including figures**, accordingly **1500-2000 words** (ca. **10.000 – 15.000 characters incl. blanks**).
- Figures (images, drawings, graphs, etc.) are recommended (about 2 images per page). **Please send image data files separately from the manuscript.** Just provide captions in the text, and name the corresponding image files e.g. "Fig\_1.jpg" (or \*.tif / \*.gif / \*.bmp / \*.eps / \*.pdf / ...) etc.! Captions should be kept as short as possible. Detailed figure explanations and discussions should be embedded in the body text accompanied by a reference to the respective figure.
- The articles should commence with an abstract (summary of key points or also triggering interest in further reading) and include a summary or conclusions.
- Literature references and if applicable a list of references with hints of further reading to the specific topic are desirable.
- As contact person the main author (or another person) is named at the end of the article, with address, phone, fax, email, internet, and preferably with a portrait photo.

### General conditions

- Articles in **photonik** and in the three times a year released special heading **biophotonik** are published in German language. A selection of these articles are published as English reprints in **laser+photonics** ("Best-of-Edition").
- A manuscript for one out of the 6 annual issues of **photonik** or one out of the 2 annual issues of **biophotonik** should be submitted corresponding date arrangements, but not later than the deadline of the edition. The common revision has to be finalized till the closing date. You can find all fixed dates for the editions in the Media Kit at [www.photonik.de/mediaservice](http://www.photonik.de/mediaservice).
- Editing is carried out in MS Word in turn with the author(s), using "track changes". The following article layout is based on the style guide of photonik editorial office.
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