Gout and Uric & Nucleic Acids

Instruction for authors

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1. Requirements for the submission of manuscripts.

The first and corresponding authors have to be members of Japanese Society of Gout and Uric & Nucleic Acids, except forauthors of review papers invited by the editorial committee.

2. Acceptance or rejection of the paper.

The editorial committee will decide whether to accept or reject manuscripts after peer review.

3. Publication.

Gout and Uric & Nucleic Acids is published twice a year in principle. However, manuscripts may be submitted at any time.

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