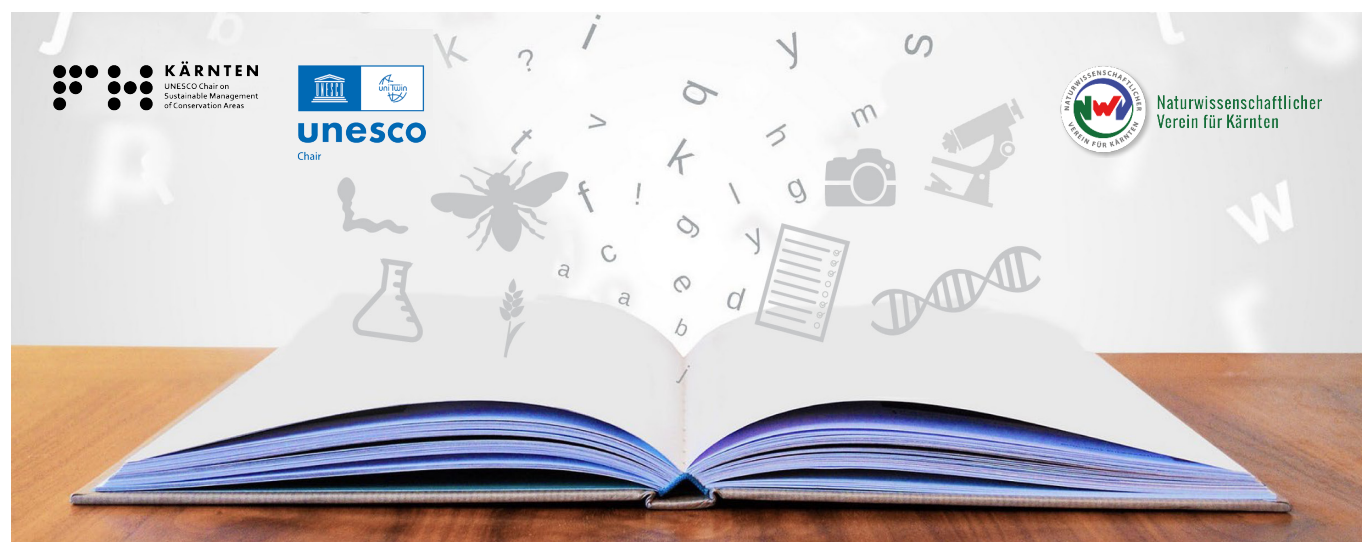# Carinthia Nature Tech
Author Guidelines

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General Requirements

The journal Carinthia Nature Tech is organized into key sections: 1) Preface, 2) Scientific articles: Full Articles, 3) Scientific articles: Short Articles, 4) Short Notes, 5) Book Reviews. Two issues of Carinthia Nature Tech will be published annually. Only previously unpublished articles may be accepted. The editors may propose changes to the text based on feedback from the reviewers. Alterations will be discussed with the authors. Carinthia Nature Tech will use third partytools to check submitted texts for plagiarism. Plagiarism reports will be kept as part of the documentation process of the paper submission. Any detection of plagiarism will lead to an immediate rejection of the submission.

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