Author Instructions – Orð og tunga

As a rule, authors will have received an answer about publication, or otherwise, by November 1, together with the editor’s reviewers’ explanations and comments. If a paper is accepted for publication in the next issue, a final (revised) version is to be delivered by December 1.

Authors are kindly requested to adhere to the following:

The length of article manuscripts should normally not exceed 8.000 words.

The font should be Times New Roman 12pt. The same font must be used for the whole document (including title, headings, main body, etc.). Margins should be 2.5 cm on all four sides and line spacing should be set at 1.5.

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Articles should be divided into chapters. Each chapter must be given a number and a descriptive heading. If necessary, each chapter can be further divided into sections and subsections, with headings (up to three layers, i.e. 1.1.1, etc.).

There should be an introductory chapter presenting the main topic, and results, and how the paper is organised; and a short conclusions chapters at the end.

Within the body of the text, examples should be italicised (e.g.: ... the verb bíhaga ‘please, appeal to’ ...; ... the informal expression meikar ekki diff ...), and the same applies to book titles (e.g. ... the latest edition of Íslensk orðabók provides two examples ...). Headings of tables and figures are italicised, while captions are not (e.g.: Table 1. The most frequent word forms in the corpus.). Likewise, within the text body, references to these headings should appear in italics (e.g. ... is shown in Figure 2 ...).

Bold type should be used sparingly, for emphasis or to indicate important concepts (e.g. .... Exactly how peripheral the words were in everyday language is difficult to evaluate ...).

Other type shifts should only be used if absolutely necessary, and their function in the text must be clear to the reader.

The meaning of words or expressions should be rendered within single upper quotation marks (e.g. ... sleði ‘sledge’ ...), while direct quotations are shown within double quotation marks (e.g. ... and other "barbarisms in Lingua Patria", as he calls them ...).

Tables/figures must fit (including captions) on a page of 12x17 cm.

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Furthermore, authors must provide a few words or concepts (ca. 3-5; preferably in Icelandic and English), as keywords. These are printed at the end of the article.

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