

**Generative Artificial Intelligence
Guidelines for Authors**
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Appendix: Selected Policies on Generative AI Use in Scientific Publishing

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Table A1: Authorship Policies

Source	Statement	Conclusion
Publishers		
Cambridge University Press https://www.cambridge.org/core/services/authors/publishing-ethics/research-publishing-ethics-guidelines-for-journals/authorship-and-contributorship	“AI does not meet the Cambridge requirements for authorship, given the need for accountability. AI and LLM tools may not be listed as an author on any scholarly work published by Cambridge.”	Authorship not appropriate
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Springer Nature https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-023-00191-1	“[N]o LLM tool will be accepted as a credited author on a research paper. That is because any attribution of authorship carries with it accountability for the work, and AI tools cannot take such responsibility.”	Authorship not appropriate
Wiley https://authorservices.wiley.com/ethics-guidelines/index.html	“Artificial Intelligence Generated Content (AIGC) tools—such as ChatGPT and others based on large language models (LLMs)—cannot be considered capable of initiating an original piece of research without direction by human authors. They also cannot be accountable for a published work or for research design, which is a generally held requirement of authorship (as discussed in the previous section), nor do they have legal standing or the ability to hold or assign copyright. Therefore—in accordance with COPE’s position statement on AI tools—these tools cannot fulfill the role of, nor be listed as, an author of an article.”	Authorship not appropriate
Academic Associations and Committees		
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Table A2: Use Disclosure Policies

Source	Statement	Disclosure Extent
Publishers		
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