

The Instructions for Authors for *Journal of Micropalaeontology* are under revision, however, two recent developments in scientific publication have led us to delay the process. The first is the decision of the International Commission for Zoological Nomenclature to allow electronic publication of new taxa from the beginning of 2012. The second concerns the requirement for Open-Access (OA) publication of research funded by Research Councils UK. The Geological Society Publishing House (publisher of *Journal of Micropalaeontology* on behalf of The Micropalaeontological Society) is likely to move to a system accommodating Gold OA (i.e. author pays) and Green OA (i.e. posted on a repository, free of charge but with an initial period of restricted access). Many aspects of Open-Access are at present uncertain and we will provide further information via the TMS website as developments become clear in early 2013.

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