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The contributor alone is responsible for the content of the published article. In experiments involving

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The papers accepted for submission are original papers (theoretical or practical research papers), case studies (original papers dealing with case studies)

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Original articles, case studies and materials should not exceed 8 printed pages (up to 8 figures and tables).

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5.1 Submission of submitted papers

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