Please send this completed form in with your original manuscript submission

**ZolCat Academic House *License to Publish* Manuscript No. xxx#xxxx-xxxx**

MANUSCRIPT CONTENT VERIFIC ATION AND PROVISIONAL COPYRIGHT

ASSIGNMENT AND PUBLICATION AGREEMENT

Article Title (in full): xxx

Authors(all names): xxx

Journal Title (ISSN): xxx (ISSN xxxx-xxxx)

By submitting this paper, the Author (Authors if a multi-authored paper) warrants that the Author has the right or has obtained authorization to enter into this License.

The Author warrants that the Work:

* Has not been published before (except if included in an institutional pre-print server)
* Is not presently being considered for publication elsewhere
* Does not infringe any intellectual property right of any person and its use in accordance with this License will not infringe any intellectual property right of any person
* Does not contain any subject matter that contravenes any laws (including defamatory material and misleading and deceptive material) and
* Meets ethical standards applicable to the research discipline.

**Terms of the License to Publish**

1. In consideration for publication of the Work, the Author grants to ZolCat, through ZolCat Academic House (the ‘Publisher’), an exclusive and royalty-free worldwide license to:

* Reproduce, publish and communicate the Work, or any part of the Work, to the public in any and all media, whether existing before or after the date of this License, for commercial, educational and all other purposesfor the full remaining term of the copyright subsisting in the Work in each applicable jurisdiction.
* Approve fair and reasonable permission requests from third parties to reuse material contained in the Work for the purpose of study, research or subsidiary publication.

2. In addition to the Author’s moral rights in respect of the Work, the Author retains the right to:

* Use copies of the work for non-commercial purposes within his/her institution subject to the usual copyright licensing agency arrangements
* Use the work for further research and presentations at meetings and conferences but not publish on any ISSN/ISBN/ISRC presses
* Use the illustrations (line art, photographs, figures, plates) and research data in his/her own future works
* Share print or digital copies of his/her work with colleagues for personal use or study
* Include the work in part or in full in a thesis provided it is not published for commercial gain
* Place his/her pre-publication version of the work on a pre-print server
* Place his/her pre-publication version of the work on a personal website or institutional repository on condition that there is a link to the definitive version on the ZolCat Academic House website.

3. The Author agrees to:

* Include a link and/or reference to the Work as published by the Publisher on all digital copies used within his/her institution
* Not reproduce or authorise others to reproduce adaptations of the Work that are substantially identical to the Work for any commercial publication
* Not permit digital copies of the Work as published by the Publisher to be systematically networked to external users
* Not use the Work in any way that implies that the Publisher, the Journal or the Editors endorse any product or procedure described in the Work.

4. When exercising any of the rights assigned or granted, each party is required to give sufficient acknowledgement of the contribution made by the other party to the published material including a citation to the Journal.

5. If the paper is rejected, all rights under this license revert to the Author and, where relevant, to the Author’s employer.

**Works made in the course of employment**

6. Where the Work has been made by the Author (or in the case of multiple Authors, by any of them) in the course of employment and the employer owns copyright in the Work, that employer must sign this License. The employer has the same rights and obligations and gives the same warranties and license rights as an Author under this License.

This form may be printed, signed and re-uploaded. All Authors and, where relevant, their employers (see Point 6 above) are requested to sign this form. If not signed by all Authors, the corresponding Author acknowledges that he/she is signing on his/her own behalf and on behalf of all the Authors and with their authorization. Where an Author signs this form on behalf of his/her employer or any other person, the Author warrants that he/she is authorized to sign on behalf of the employer and grant the rights and accept the obligations in this License on behalf of that person.

(1) Author signature Print name Haibin XUE Date /

(2) Author signature Print name Qi GUO Date /

(3) Author signature Print name Date /

(4) Author signature Print name Date /

(5) Author signature Print name Date /

(6) Author signature Print name Date /

(7) Author signature Print name Date /

(8) Author signature Print name Date /

Employer signature Print name Date /

 (if required)

for and on behalf of / (Institution)

**ZolCatTM**

**www.zolcat.com**