

Correction Policy

This document details the Stockholm University Press corrections policy. It is applicable to all journals in our catalogue.

For a variety of reasons, some articles need to be corrected after publication. Such reasons can range from minor typos and small errors through to more serious issues concerning ethics and copyright. In accordance with guidelines from the Committee on Publication Ethics (where applicable), Stockholm University Press handles different kinds of error in the following ways. All articles will have had their proofs checked prior to publication by the author/editor, which should ensure that content errors are not present. Please contact your Editorial Manager if an article needs correcting.

Amendment

For minor content or metadata issues, Stockholm University Press may directly amend the article (both PDF and HTML) if the error is reported within three working days of publication. Corrections to the content of the article will follow the normal correction procedure. We reserve the right to decide what constitutes a minor issue and whether a note or correction article is necessary.

Publisher's Note

For small issues that do not directly affect the conclusions of the article, a publisher's note will be posted to the article to highlight error and display the correct text where necessary. (Note: the error will not be corrected in the article itself.) The note will appear immediately after the article abstract/metadata. The wording of the note will be drafted by Stockholm University Press staff and approved by both the editor(s) and author(s). Certain minor corrections may be better highlighted by the journal's Disqus commentary functionality – Stockholm University Press will advise on this where appropriate.

Correction Article

Where an error would affect the conclusions of an article (but not the validity of the findings), or contains incorrect information about the article metadata (author list, title, editor, etc.), a correction article will be posted. Correction articles are used to formally correct the scientific record and to ensure errors in metadata are properly highlighted. Unlike a publisher's note, correction articles will appear as an article in the journal's table of contents and will be delivered to indexes in the usual fashion. The original article will contain a banner that links to the correction to alert readers. The wording of the note will be drafted by Stockholm University Press staff and approved by both the editor(s) and



author(s). The editor(s) and Stockholm University Press will decide whether the error should be corrected by a note or a correction article.

Retraction

Retractions are used to remove a published paper from the scientific record. In accordance with the Committee on Publication Ethics' guidance (adapted from http://publicationethics.org/files/retraction%20guidelines_0.pdf), retractions are used when:

- editors have clear evidence that the article's findings are unreliable, either as a result of misconduct (e.g. data fabrication) or honest error (e.g. miscalculation or experimental error).
- the findings have previously been published elsewhere without proper cross-referencing, permission or justification (i.e. cases of redundant publication).
- Article publication constitutes plagiarism.
- The article reports unethical research.

Retractions will be drafted and posted in the same way as correction articles and with the editors' approval. The original article will remain but readers will be alerted to the retraction via a banner at the top of the article.

Withdrawal

In rare circumstances, articles will need to be withdrawn and removed from the journal site itself. This is usually for legal reasons, such as copyright infringement or ethical concerns. The abstract and metadata of the original article will remain, but a banner that links to the retraction note will appear in place of the rest of the contents.

Books

The above guidance pertains only to journal articles. On occasion, books may also need to be corrected, and a similar policy will be used. Corrections to books are, however, a more complex process so they will be handled on a case-by-case basis. In these instances, please contact your Editorial Manager for advice.

Costs of Corrections

Routines for all editorial teams are applied, in order to avoid errors to occur in the first place. However, here a correction requires a new article to be typeset and published, there may be additional typesetting costs accrued. If the error is deemed to be the fault of the author(s), a cost may be incurred. Stockholm University Press will pay this fee if the error is deemed to be our mistake.