

## GUIDELINE FOR THE PREPARATION OF MANUSCRIPT

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#### **For book:**

*[Author, Initials., Year. Title of book. Edition (only include this if not the first edition). Publisher. Place of publication]*

Lightner, D.V., 1996. A Handbook of Shrimp Pathology and Diagnostic Procedures for Diseases of Culture Penaeid Shrimp. World Aquaculture Society. Baton Rouge.

#### **For chapter in a book**

*[Author, Initials., Year. Title of chapter. In: Author (ed(s)). Title of book. Publisher, Place of publication. Page numbers]*

Anderson DM (1989). Toxic algal bloom and red tides. In: Okaichi T., Anderson D.M., Nemoto T (eds). Red Tides. Elsevier, New York. p. 11-16.

### **For journal article**

[Author, Initials., Year. Title of article. Full Title of Journal, Volume number (Issue/Part number), Page numbers]

Leu, J.H., Wang, H.C., Kou, G.H., Lo, C.F., 2008. Penaeus monodon caspase is targeted by a white spot syndrome virus anti-apoptosis protein. *Dev Comp Immunol*, 32(5), p. 476-86.

Leu, J.H., Chang, C.C., Wu, J.L., Hsu, C.W., Hirono, I., Aoki, T., Juan, H.F., Lo, C.F., Kou, G.H., Huang, H.C., 2007. Comparative analysis of differentially expressed genes in normal and white spot syndrome virus infected Penaeus monodon. *BMC Genomics*, 8(120).

### **For Doctoral and Master theses**

[Author, Initials., Year. Title of thesis. PhD or Master thesis. Name of University, Place of University.]

Kutty MN. Some studies on the respiratory quotient in goldfish and rainbow trout. PhD thesis, University of Toronto, Toronto. 1966.

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- Temperature: °C, K
- Absolute quantity: pmol, nmol,  $\mu\text{mol}$ , mmol, mol
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