# Guidelines for Authors of Journal of Superhard Materials

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# Journal articles

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#### Patents

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Dubensky, E.M. and Nilsson, R.T., US Patent 5773735, 1996.

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