



Author Functionality Checklist

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Authors see registration instructions that have been customized by the Editorial Office.	✓	
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