Call for Manuscripts

Special Series: The Menstrual Cycle, Physical Performance & Participation

On behalf of the Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal (WSPAJ), and Special Guest Editor, Dr. Georgie Bruinvels, we are pleased to announce a call for abstracts for a Special Series entitled, the Menstrual Cycle, Physical Performance & Participation. This series will focus on the physiological, behavioral and psycho-social aspects of the menstrual cycle on sport, exercise, and physical activity performance and participation among females across the lifespan.

Guest Editor
Dr. Georgie Bruinvels. Dr. Bruinvels is a Sport Scientist and Female Athlete Lead at ORRECO. She is the Co-creator of FitrWoman and has research affiliations with University College London and St. Mary’s University in Twickenham, UK.

500-Word Proposal Abstract First
We are accepting six manuscripts for publication in April 2024. If you would like to contribute to this special series, please email an abstract (less than 500 words) in APA format to Dr. Donna Duffy at dmduffy@uncg.edu by April 21, 2023. The abstract should include: author name(s), title, and affiliation. The body of the abstract should include: an introduction, methods, results, and conclusions. In the subject line of your email abstract submission please write: “WSPAJ Special Issue Abstract.” The guest editor will review the abstract and the first author on the abstract will be notified regarding a decision to submit a full manuscript.

Abstracts should be formatted accordingly
- The APA recommends legible and accessible fonts. You can use any of the following: 11-point Calibri, 11-point Arial, 10-point Lucida Sans Unicode, 12-point Times New Roman, 11-point Georgia, or 10-point Computer Modern.
- On the first line, centered and in bold, write “Abstract” (without the quotes).
- One line below it, write the text as a single paragraph, double-spaced.
- Set a 1-inch (2.54 centimeter) margin on all sides.
- The running title should be aligned to the left at the top of the page.
- 5-7 keywords should be written as a new paragraph below the abstract.

Submission and Publication Deadlines
We intend to publish these manuscripts as a Special Section in the April 2024 issue of WSPAJ.
- Abstracts are due to Dr. Donna Duffy by April 21, 2023.
• Authors will be notified of acceptance and invited to submit a full manuscript on or before June 1, 2023.
• Full manuscripts should be submitted for review by October 30, 2023.
• Manuscripts will be reviewed and returned to authors by Dec 15, 2023.
• Finalized manuscripts should be submitted for publication by February 9, 2024.

Writing and Publishing Guidelines for this WSPAJ Special Issue
Women in Sport and Physical Activity Journal (WSPAJ) is a peer-reviewed scholarly journal devoted to advancing the understanding of women in sport and physical activity. WSPAJ is the official journal of the Program for the Advancement of Girls and Women in Sport and Physical Activity, housed in the Center for Women’s Health and Wellness at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. The Editor in Chief of WSPAJ is Dr. Donna Duffy. Submission to this Special Section does not guarantee publication. All submissions must meet WSPAJ standards and comply with the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*, Seventh Edition. The final disposition of all manuscripts is decided by the Editor in Chief.