ECS Perspective Manuscript Template

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Perspectives articles are limited to 4000 words total, EXCLUDING a limited list of references. This limit includes the title, author names, affiliations, figure captions, and tables.

All Manuscripts must be prepared in Single-column format.

References, tables, figures, and figure captions must be placed AFTER the body of the paper.

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Sized at one-column width (3.25 inches) wherever possible.

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