

Basic Policy on the Use of Generative AI in the Japan Society of Developmental Psychology

In recent years, with the rapid development of AI technologies, generative AI has come to be used in many aspects of academic research. The Japan Society of Developmental Psychology (hereinafter “JSDP”) has established the following basic policy on the use of generative AI in the preparation of manuscripts submitted to the *Japanese Journal of Developmental Psychology*, manuscripts submitted to the Conference Proceedings, and presentations given at JSDP’s conferences.

(1) Responsibility of authors

When generative AI is used in journal articles, manuscripts for the Conference Proceedings, or conference presentations, all authors or presenters bear full responsibility for explaining the content. Clearly state in the manuscript (e.g., in the Methods section or in an Acknowledgments/Notes section) which tools were used and for what purposes.

(2) Consideration for privacy

Information entered into generative AI tools may be used by the service provider or by third parties. Avoid entering personally identifiable information or highly confidential information, and exercise due care to protect privacy.

(3) Attention to plagiarism and misinformation

Using text or other outputs produced by generative AI “as is” may lead to plagiarism or copyright infringement. In addition, generative AI may generate inaccurate information or fabricated citations. When using generative AI, you must always verify the relevant literature and factual information, and ensure appropriate citation and accurate description.

(4) Authorship

Because generative AI cannot assume responsibility for explaining the content of journal articles, Conference Proceedings manuscripts, or conference presentations, it does not meet the criteria for authorship. Therefore, within the activities of JSDP, generative AI cannot be granted authorship. This basic policy may be reviewed and revised as needed in response to technological developments, discussions within the academic community, and changes in JSDP’s policies.

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