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All chapters must include an English abstract of 150–250 words. Chapters written in Norwegian/Swedish/Danish must include abstracts both in the original language and in English.

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