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IDENTIFICATION, COVERAGE, CONTENT

*Magnificat Cultura i Literatura Medievals*

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Coverage: (1) Global subjects for the Romance area, in the medieval and post-medieval era (up to 1600). (2) Literature, linguistics and cultural issues in general, concerning the Crown of Aragon and Occitania (and other related areas such as Naples and Navarre). (3) Digital humanities or otherwise methodological studies, on condition that they may be of service to the medievalist.

The texts to be studied can be in French, Catalan, Occitan, Italian, Aragonese, Spanish and Latin, as well as in other languages, if relevant to the period and geographical areas mentioned.

Methodological studies will also be accepted, including digital humanities, on condition that they are of service to the medievalist.

This annual publication has been created with the intention of serving as a platform for works that exceed the conventional length of journal articles. Therefore *Magnificat CLM* will preferably publish long articles, but articles of medium length are not excluded.

*Magnificat CLM* is aimed at an audience of researchers and specialists in medieval studies, especially Romance philology, as well as of specialists in digital humanities. *Magnificat CLM* consists of a single section of articles, occasionally including a monographic dossier on particular subjects. All articles are indexed.

*Magnificat CLM* published its first volume in 2014.

In order to meet the conditions laid down by most indexers to prevent academic inbreeding, *Magnificat CLM* did not publish work by any members of its publishing body, the Universitat de València, in its first five years. From its number 6 on, our journal allows this collaboration, but only by a maximum of a 10% among our authors.

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Abstract, in English

This section will be headed with the word ABSTRACT in small capitals, centred and followed by a line return. Then, also justified, give the abstract of the work. (Articles in English which follow American norms will use the same norms in the abstract; articles in English which follow British norms will use the same norms in the abstract.) For those articles which contribute original research (as distinct from, for example, inventories or critical editions of texts) objectives, methodology, results and conclusions must be set out in the abstract. The abstract should not contain information that does not figure in the text of the article, and should use significant words representative of the content, to facilitate automated searches.

Abstracts should not exceed three hundred words.

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Acknowledgment of grant or financial support for the work

Next, and adjusted, a paragraph will acknowledge which grants or aids for projects (if any) have enabled the authors to undertake the work published.

Table of Contents

A TABLE OF CONTENTS, adjusted and in capitals, and in the language of the article, will list its sections. The headings and subheadings must appear with the same method and arrangement (numbering system and format of sections) as used in the text (see below).

Text

In its first stage Magnificat CLM publishes only a single section dedicated to articles, especially long or very long ones. The guidelines for the text of articles are:

Text structure

Articles should follow a clear and logical written order, starting with the justification of the work and its relation to previous works, followed by the explanation of the methods and techniques employed, and ending with the conclusions and results.

Extent of articles

The minimum length of an article in Magnificat CLM will be twenty-five (25) pages, double-spaced. The maximum length shall be one hundred (100) pages, double-spaced. This extension will include text, cover pages, list of references and appendices and illustrations, if any.

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The divisions and subdivisions of the article must be presented thus:

Headings and subheadings should be numbered according to the specific standard ISO 2145, always numbered consecutively in arabic numerals, using a point to separate the levels of division. The numeration of sections is to be in romans.

The headings and subheadings will be the same body as the text (12 pt.). The general headings will be lower case (except the initial capital), bold, justified, and the first paragraph will also be justified, without tabs. Sub-headings will be in italics, with tab, and the first paragraph will appear as a normal paragraph, with a single tab. Lower levels of headings all will be in romans: the third level, after two tabs, the fourth level, after three tabs.

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      2.1.2 The Aragonese Standard
      2.1.3 The Catalan Standard
         2.1.3.1 Eastern Catalan
         2.1.3.2 Western Catalan

The headings and subheadings will be separated by two lines above and one line below. Lower levels of headings are separated by one line above and below.

Basic typographic symbols

Use high quotes, never low. Single quotes are used to indicate the meaning of words or passages, or for a quote within another quote. Italics are used for foreign words or phrases.

If a single word or phrase in a foreign language is used, it should be in italics. If more than a phrase is reproduced, it is treated as a quotation, in double quotes.

“The meaning of destral as ‘go-between’ in the Catalan Facet and in Old Occitan”.

“Quotes precede the punctuation mark”; footnotes follow punctuation.¹

Units of measurement

Refer to units of measurement (if necessary) in accordance with International Standard ISO 1000.

Names and terminology

Use the standardized terminology for each discipline, ISO 01040 Domain themed vocabulary and terminology.

Abbreviations and Acronyms

Initials or acronyms of legal entities (RABLB, UNESCO, TV3) are in capitals; bibliographical acronyms are in capitals in italic or roman as appropriate: DCVC (Diccionari català-valencià-baleàr), DECLC (Diccionari etimològic i complementari de la llengua catalana), but PL (Patrologia Latina: a series, not a title).

Acronyms which are not initialisms take an initial capital and following lower case letters: Termcat, Renfe.
Frequently Used Abbreviations

vid. vide, ‘see’, not veg.

et al. et alii

f., ff. folio, folios. Verso or recto are indicated by r, v, without space or point

p. page, pages

no., nos. number, numbers

v., vv. verse, verses

l., ll. line, lines

vol., vols. volume, volumes

ed. edition, always in the singular

c. circa

Imprecise abbreviations should be avoided, such as op. cit., id., loc. cit.
Use *ibid.* only when the same work of an author is cited more than once in the same paragraph.

Numbers

Amounts quoted in isolation, especially those under fifty, are written out in full: “The piece consists of fifty verses”, but “A summary of 51 words”. Duration of time (for example, a person’s age) is always written in full: “Ausíàs March died at the age of fifty-nine”.

*Magnificat CLM* prefers the use of arabic numerals and keeps use of roman numerals to a minimum (to facilitate internet searching). However there are cases where tradition makes such use unavoidable. When necessary, romans will usually be in capitals; in Romance languages, centuries will be in small capitals: “segle XIV”. For the numbering of leaves in a manuscript or the pagination of the preliminaries of a printed book the author can choose between small caps (ff. XXXIV-XLIII) or lower case (ff. xxxiv-xliii).

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To avoid plagiarism, all data and ideas of others should be duly cited. Quotations must be justified and relevant. Be objective in the selection of texts, avoiding tendentiousness.

Texts must be reproduced or paraphrased accurately, even if they contain errors or misprints. Mark these with “[*sic*]” (italics and square brackets).

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Quotations should always be given in their original language.

Quotations of less than four lines should be included in the text, between high double inverted commas (“ “), before punctuation (“... chivalry”). Longer quotations are given in a separate paragraph, inset, in 11 pt., without inverted commas.

Bibliographical citation in the text

To avoid unnecessary footnotes, indicate the author of a quotation in the main text, in parentheses, by author-year system (surname year).

If necessary, page or pages are indicated after the year, preceded by colon and space:

(Riquer 1990: 43-49).

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Critical editions are cited by editor not author:


If the author’s name is given in the text, follow this with date and page in parentheses. On first mention, include the first name in the text:

… the chivalric novel, says Martí de Riquer (1990: 43). If Riquer’s method is applied (1990) …
If you apply the criteria mentioned (Riquer 1990) …

In case of two authors, give both surnames, linked with a hyphen. If there are more than two authors, give the first, followed by the abbreviation “et al.”).

(Cabré-Torró 2010)
(Wittlin et al. ed. 1986)

When an author has two or more entries from the same year, add a lower case letter in roman, in both the references and the citation.

Pujol 2010a; Pujol 2010b

When there are two or more authors with the same surname with publications of the same year, in this case (and only then), the citation will include the abbreviation of the first name of each author

(L. Cabré 2005) (M. Cabré 2005)
Notes

Use footnotes. Bibliographical references should go in the text (see above).

The footnote number, in superscript, follows punctuation. Footnotes to be in 10pt., single-spaced, with one cm indent. Footnote numbers should follow a syntactic unit (at the end of the sentence, if possible) and not be placed in the middle; not between subject and verb, or between noun and adjective.

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Acknowledgments

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References

These appear after the text of the article, after a page break, headed “Works Cited”, in bold. Between the heading and the first entry leave three line breaks.

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–Co-authors: separated by semicolon (;) without "and" between last-but-one and last.

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In second and next entries by the same author, author's name must be explicit in every case (therefore NOT following the MHRA's instruction "a 2-em dash (see 5.2 above) should be substituted for the name after the first appearance").


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Cabre, Lluís (ed.). 2010. Bernat Metge Llibre de Fortuna i Prudència, Els Nostres Clàssics B, 30 (Barcelona: Barcino)

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Chadwick, H. Munro, and Chadwick, N. Kershaw (NOT Chadwick, H. Munro, and N. Kershaw Chadwick).

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CORDE: Corpus diacrónico del español (Madrid: Real Academia Española) <http://corpus.rae.es/cordenet.html> [accessed 16-05-2016]

Some further examples:

Article in a journal:

Fita Fidel. 1907. ‘Canales de la Sierra: datos inéditos’, Boletín de la Real Academia de la Historia, 50: 371-95

Book:


Book in several volumes:

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Ortiz y Sanz, José. 1795-1803. *Compendio cronológico de la historia de España desde los tiempos más antiguos hasta nuestros días*, 7 vols (Madrid: Imprenta Real)

A particular volume in a book, when that volume has its own title:


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Severin, Dorothy S. 2002
Miquel y Planas, Ramon (ed.). 1936-42.

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Riquer, Martí de. 1990
Di Girolamo, Costanzo, 1995

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D’Annunzio, Gabriele. 1919
Abadal i de Vinyals Ramon, d’. 1948

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Cabré, Lluís; Ferrer, Montserrat, 2012.
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Martínez Romero, Tomàs. 1998. ‘Variacions sobre el tema “Corella i els contemporanis valencians”’, Caplletra, 24: 45-65 <http://tinyurl.com/orec7kc>

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