# **Instructions for Authors**

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[1] Desai, C.S. (2007). Unified DSC constitutive model for pavement materials with numerical implementation. *Int. J. of Geomech.*, Vol. 7, No. 2, pp. 83-101.

Reference to a book:

[2] Šuklje, L. (1969). Rheological aspects of soil mechanics. Wiley-Interscience, London

#### Reference to a chapter in an edited book:

[3] Mettam, G.R., Adams, L.B. (1999). How to prepare an electronic version of your article, in: Jones, B.S., Smith, R.Z. (Eds.), Introduction to the Electronic Age. E-Publishing Inc., New York, pp. 281–304.

#### Conference proceedings:

[4] Brandl, H. and Blovsky, S. (2005). Slope stabilization with socket walls using the observational method. *Proc. Int. conf. on Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering, Bratislava, pp. 2485-2488.* 

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