

## DEFINITION OF AUTHOR

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF MEDICAL JOURNAL EDITORS (ICMJE) HAS QUOTED THAT, AN "**AUTHOR**" IS GENERALLY CONSIDERED TO BE SOMEONE WHO HAS MADE SUBSTANTIVE INTELLECTUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO A PUBLISHED STUDY, AND BIOMEDICAL AUTHORSHIP CONTINUES TO HAVE IMPORTANT ACADEMIC, SOCIAL, AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS<sup>1</sup>. IN THE PAST, READERS WERE RARELY PROVIDED WITH INFORMATION ABOUT CONTRIBUTIONS TO STUDIES FROM PERSONS LISTED AS AUTHORS AND IN ACKNOWLEDGMENTS<sup>2</sup>.

THE ICMJE HAS RECOMMENDED THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA FOR AUTHORSHIP.

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B) DRAFTING THE ARTICLE OR REVISING IT CRITICALLY FOR IMPORTANT INTELLECTUAL CONTENT; AND

C) FINAL APPROVAL OF THE VERSION TO BE PUBLISHED.

## REFERENCE

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2. YANK V, RENNIE D. DISCLOSURE OF RESEARCHER CONTRIBUTIONS: A STUDY OF ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLES IN THE LANCET. ANN INTERN MED. 1999;130:661-70.

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THE EDITOR,  
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DATE:

SUB: MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSION FOR PUBLICATION

DEAR SIR / MAM,

WE INTEND TO PUBLISH AN ARTICLE ENTITLED “ ” IN YOUR JOURNAL AS AN ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE/CASE REPORT/REVIEW ARTICLE.

ON BEHALF OF ALL AUTHORS I WILL TAKE THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ORIGINAL CONTENT OF THE MANUSCRIPT AND WILL CORRESPOND WITH THE JOURNAL FROM THIS POINT ONWARD. I HEREBY ALSO DECLARE THE FOLLOWING,

**SOURCE OF SUPPORT:** NIL / YES (GRANT / FINANCIAL SUPPORT DETAILS)

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** NIL /

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** SPECIFIC PERSON / DEPARTMENT STAFF / INSTITUTION /

THANKING YOU,

YOURS' SINCERELY,

SIGNATURE

CORRESPONDING AUTHOR:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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MANUSCRIPT NUMBER:

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I/WE CERTIFY THAT ALL THE DATA COLLECTED DURING THE STUDY IS PRESENTED IN THIS MANUSCRIPT AND NO DATA FROM THE STUDY HAS BEEN OR WILL BE PUBLISHED SEPARATELY. I/WE ATTEST THAT, IF REQUESTED BY THE EDITORS, I/WE WILL PROVIDE THE DATA/INFORMATION OR WILL COOPERATE FULLY IN OBTAINING AND PROVIDING THE DATA/INFORMATION ON WHICH THE MANUSCRIPT IS BASED, FOR EXAMINATION BY THE EDITORS OR THEIR ASSIGNEES.

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**YES / NO:** FULL NAME, WITH FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAME MENTIONED.

**YES / NO:** ALL THE AUTHORS DETAILS INCLUDING CORRESPONDING AUTHOR DETAILS ENCLOSED.

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**YES / NO:** NUMERALS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SENTENCE SPELT OUT

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### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

- ❖ ACKNOWLEDGE PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE SUBSTANTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STUDY.
- ❖ SPECIFY THE INSTITUTION OR DEPARTMENT WHERE THE STUDY WAS CONDUCTED.

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**TITLE:** FIRST PAGE OF THE MANUSCRIPT SHOULD INCLUDE THE TITLE, ABSTRACT AND KEYWORDS.

**AUTHORS:** THE NUMBER OF AUTHORS SHOULD NOT EXCEED MORE THAN SIX.

#### **ABSTRACT:**

- A MAXIMUM OF 300 WORDS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE ABSTRACT.
- THE ABSTRACT SHOULD NOT CONTAIN ABBREVIATIONS OR REFERENCES.
- FOR BASIC AND CLINICAL RESEARCH ARTICLES ABSTRACT MUST BE STRUCTURED WITH THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS:
  - BACKGROUND
  - AIMS AND OBJECTIVES
  - MATERIALS AND METHODS
  - RESULTS
  - CONCLUSIONS

#### **KEY WORDS**

- LIST OF KEY WORDS NOT TO EXCEED 6.
- EVERY KEYWORD SHOULD BE SEPARATED BY A SEMICOLON WITHOUT SPACING.
- ALL THE KEY WORDS HAS TO BE CHECKED FOR ITS PRESENCE IN MESH, WHICH STANDS FOR MEDICAL SUBJECT HEADINGS, WHICH IS A CONTROLLED VOCABULARY SYSTEM DEVELOPED BY THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDEXING, AVAILABLE AT [HTTP://WWW.NLM.NIH.GOV/MESH/2009/MESH\\_BROWSER/MBROWSER.HTML](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/2009/mesh_browser/mbrowser.html) OR SEARCH MESH IN WWW.GOOGLE.COM

#### **MANUSCRIPT TEXT**

- **INTRODUCTION.** SUMMARIZE THE RATIONALE AND PURPOSE OF THE STUDY, GIVING ONLY PERTINENT REFERENCES. CLEARLY STATE THE WORKING HYPOTHESIS.
- **MATERIALS AND METHODS.** PRESENT MATERIALS AND METHODS IN SUFFICIENT DETAIL TO ALLOW CONFIRMATION OF THE OBSERVATIONS. PUBLISHED METHODS SHOULD BE REFERENCED AND DISCUSSED ONLY BRIEFLY, UNLESS MODIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE. INDICATE THE STATISTICAL METHODS USED, IF APPLICABLE.
- **RESULTS.** PRESENT RESULTS IN A LOGICAL SEQUENCE IN THE TEXT, TABLES, AND ILLUSTRATIONS. DO NOT REPEAT IN THE TEXT ALL THE DATA IN THE TABLES OR ILLUSTRATIONS; EMPHASIZE ONLY IMPORTANT OBSERVATIONS. (MAXIMUM 6 ILLUSTRATIONS INCLUDING GRAPH/TABLES/FIGURES).
- **DISCUSSION.** EMPHASIZE THE NEW AND IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE STUDY AND THE CONCLUSIONS THAT FOLLOW FROM THEM. DO NOT REPEAT IN DETAIL DATA OR OTHER MATERIAL GIVEN IN THE INTRODUCTION OR RESULTS SECTION. RELATE OBSERVATIONS TO OTHER RELEVANT STUDIES AND POINT OUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE FINDINGS AND THEIR LIMITATIONS.
- **CONCLUSIONS.** LINK THE CONCLUSIONS WITH THE GOALS OF THE STUDY BUT AVOID UNQUALIFIED STATEMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS NOT ADEQUATELY SUPPORTED BY THE DATA. IN PARTICULAR, AUTHORS SHOULD AVOID MAKING STATEMENTS ON ECONOMIC BENEFITS AND COSTS, UNLESS THEIR MANUSCRIPT INCLUDES THE APPROPRIATE ECONOMIC DATA AND ANALYSIS. AVOID CLAIMING PRIORITY AND ALLUDING TO WORK THAT HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED. STATE NEW HYPOTHESIS WHEN WARRANTED, BUT CLEARLY LABEL THEM AS SUCH.



- **REFERENCES.** THE REFERENCE LIST SHOULD APPEAR AT THE END OF THE ARTICLE IN NUMERIC SEQUENCE. ALL REFERENCES MUST BE CITED IN THE TEXT AS SUPERScript AND NUMBERED IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE. DO NOT INCLUDE UNPUBLISHED DATA OR PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS IN THE REFERENCE LIST. FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES OF THE [INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF MEDICAL JOURNAL EDITORS](#) (VANCOUVER GROUP).
- **ABBREVIATIONS.** THE FULL TERM FOR WHICH AN ABBREVIATION STANDS SHOULD PRECEDE ITS FIRST USE IN THE TEXT UNLESS IT IS A STANDARD UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.
- **TRADE NAMES.** GENERIC TERMS ARE TO BE USED WHENEVER POSSIBLE, BUT TRADE NAMES AND MANUFACTURER NAME, CITY, STATE, AND COUNTRY SHOULD BE INCLUDED PARENTHETICALLY AT FIRST MENTION.

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**ABSTRACT:** ABSTRACT FOR REVIEWS, SHOULD NOT EXCEED 250 WORDS AND NEED NOT BE STRUCTURED. THE ABSTRACT SHOULD NOT CONTAIN ABBREVIATIONS OR REFERENCES.

**KEY WORDS:** LIST OF KEY WORDS, NOT TO EXCEED 6. ALL THE KEY WORDS HAS TO BE CHECKED FOR ITS PRESENCE IN MESH, WHICH STANDS FOR MEDICAL SUBJECT HEADINGS, WHICH IS A CONTROLLED VOCABULARY SYSTEM DEVELOPED BY THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDEXING, AVAILABLE AT [HTTP://WWW.NLM.NIH.GOV/MESH/2009/MESH\\_BROWSER/MBROWSER.HTML](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/2009/mesh_browser/mbrowser.html) OR SEARCH MESH IN [WWW.GOOGLE.COM](http://www.google.com)

#### **MANUSCRIPT TEXT**

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- **DISCUSSION.** EMPHASIZE THE NEW AND IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION AND THE CONCLUSIONS THAT FOLLOW FROM THEM. DO NOT REPEAT IN DETAIL DATA OR OTHER MATERIAL GIVEN IN THE INTRODUCTION SECTION. RELATE OBSERVATIONS TO OTHER RELEVANT STUDIES AND POINT OUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE FINDINGS AND THEIR LIMITATIONS.
- **CONCLUSIONS.** LINK THE CONCLUSIONS WITH THE GOALS OF THE STUDY BUT AVOID UNQUALIFIED STATEMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS NOT ADEQUATELY SUPPORTED BY THE DATA. IN PARTICULAR, AUTHORS SHOULD AVOID MAKING STATEMENTS ON ECONOMIC BENEFITS AND COSTS UNLESS THEIR MANUSCRIPT INCLUDES THE APPROPRIATE ECONOMIC DATA AND ANALYSIS. AVOID CLAIMING PRIORITY AND ALLUDING TO WORK THAT HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED. STATE NEW HYPOTHESIS WHEN WARRANTED, BUT CLEARLY LABEL THEM AS SUCH.
- **REFERENCES.** ALL REFERENCES MUST BE CITED IN THE TEXT AS SUPERScript & NUMBERED IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE, AT THE END OF THE ARTICLE IN NUMERIC SEQUENCE. DO NOT INCLUDE UNPUBLISHED DATA OR PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS IN THE REFERENCE LIST.
- **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.** ACKNOWLEDGE PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE SUBSTANTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE REVIEW.
- **ABBREVIATIONS.** THE FULL TERM FOR WHICH AN ABBREVIATION STANDS SHOULD PRECEDE ITS FIRST USE IN THE TEXT UNLESS IT IS A STANDARD UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.
- **TRADE NAMES.** GENERIC TERMS ARE TO BE USED WHENEVER POSSIBLE, BUT TRADE NAMES AND MANUFACTURER NAME, CITY, STATE, AND COUNTRY SHOULD BE INCLUDED PARENTHETICALLY AT FIRST MENTION.

### **C. CASE REPORTS**

NEW / INTERESTING / VERY RARE CASES CAN BE REPORTED. CASES WITH CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE OR IMPLICATIONS WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY, WHEREAS, MERE REPORTING OF A RARE CASE MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED.

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**ABSTRACT:** SHOULD NOT EXCEED 250 WORDS AND NEED NOT BE STRUCTURED.

**KEY WORDS:** LIST OF KEY WORDS SHOULD NOT EXCEED 6. ALL THE KEY WORDS HAS TO BE CHECKED FOR ITS PRESENCE IN MESH, WHICH STANDS FOR MEDICAL SUBJECT HEADINGS, WHICH IS A CONTROLLED VOCABULARY SYSTEM DEVELOPED BY THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDEXING, AVAILABLE AT [HTTP://WWW.NLM.NIH.GOV/MESH/2009/MESH\\_BROWSER/MBROWSER.HTML](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/2009/mesh_browser/mbrowser.html) OR SEARCH MESH IN WWW.GOOGLE.COM

#### **MANUSCRIPT TEXT**

- **INTRODUCTION.** SHOULD INCLUDE DEFINITION, HISTORY, ETIOPATHOGENESIS, PREVALENCE AND DISTRIBUTION PATTERNS. EXPLAIN WHY THIS REPORT IS SPECIAL.
- **CASE REPORT.** CHIEF COMPLAINT, HISTORY, CLINICAL FEATURES, RADIOGRAPHIC AND OTHER INVESTIGATION FINDINGS, DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT PLAN AND PROGNOSIS. (PHOTOGRAPHS & PHOTO MICROGRAPHS NOT TO EXCEED 4 IN NO.)
- **DISCUSSION.** EMPHASIZE THE NEW AND IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE CASE AND THE CONCLUSIONS THAT FOLLOW FROM THEM. DO NOT REPEAT IN DETAIL DATA OR OTHER MATERIAL GIVEN IN THE INTRODUCTION SECTION. RELATE OBSERVATIONS TO OTHER REPORTS IN THE LITERATURE AND POINT OUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE FINDINGS AND THEIR OBSERVATIONS.
- **CONCLUSIONS.** LINK THE CONCLUSIONS WITH THE GOALS OF THE CASE BUT AVOID UNQUALIFIED STATEMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS NOT ADEQUATELY SUPPORTED BY THE DATA.
- **REFERENCES.** ALL REFERENCES MUST BE CITED IN THE TEXT AS SUPERScript & NUMBERED IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE AND SHOULD APPEAR IN NUMERIC SEQUENCE, AT THE END. DO NOT INCLUDE UNPUBLISHED DATA OR PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS IN THE REFERENCE LIST. CITE SUCH REFERENCES PARENTHETICALLY IN THE TEXT AND INCLUDE A DATE.
- **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.** ACKNOWLEDGE PERSONS WHO HAVE MADE SUBSTANTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY IN THE PREPARATION OF CASE REPORT.
- **ABBREVIATIONS.** THE FULL TERM FOR WHICH AN ABBREVIATION STANDS SHOULD PRECEDE ITS FIRST USE IN THE TEXT UNLESS IT IS A STANDARD UNIT OF MEASUREMENT.
- **TRADE NAMES.** GENERIC TERMS ARE TO BE USED WHENEVER POSSIBLE, BUT TRADE NAMES AND MANUFACTURER NAME, CITY, STATE, AND COUNTRY SHOULD BE INCLUDED PARENTHETICALLY AT FIRST MENTION.

### **D. SHORT COMMUNICATION**

- UP TO 1000 WORDS EXCLUDING REFERENCES AND ABSTRACT AND UP TO 5 REFERENCES.

### **E. LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

- SHOULD BE A SHORT AND DECISIVE OBSERVATION.
- THEY SHOULD NOT BE PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS THAT NEED A LATER PAPER FOR VALIDATION.
- SHOULD BE UP TO 400 WORDS AND 4 REFERENCES.

**F. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CONFERENCES, MEETINGS, COURSES, AWARDS ETC.,**

ANY OTHER ITEMS LIKELY TO BE OF INTEREST TO THE READERS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITH THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON FROM WHOM ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED. UP TO 100 WORDS.

**G. ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

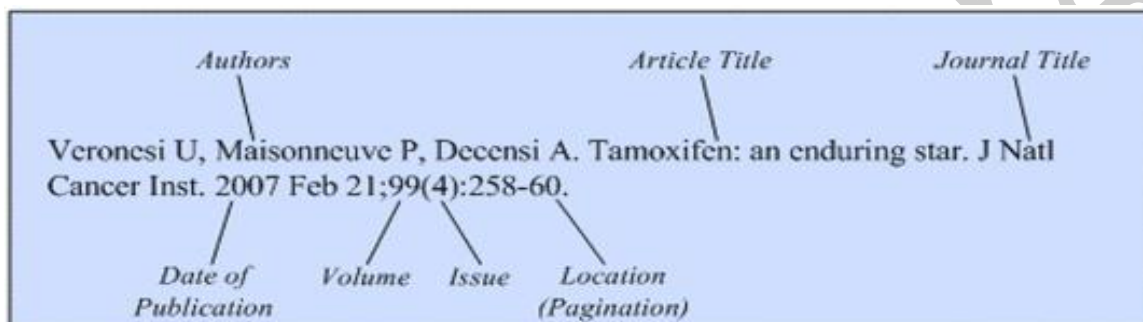
BEFORE GETTING YOUR THESIS PUBLISHED ELSEWHERE ONLY THE ABSTRACT CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET FOR EVERYBODY TO VISUALIZE AND KNOW, CITE AND ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR WORK.

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- IJOMP FOLLOWS AUTHOR GUIDELINES GIVEN BY NLM 2<sup>ND</sup> EDITION 2007, THERE IS NO STYLE APPLIED TO CITATIONS. **NO ITALIC, NO BOLD, NO UNDERLINE.**
- TITLES OF JOURNALS SHOULD BE ABBREVIATED ACCORDING TO THE STYLE USED IN INDEX MEDICUS. PROVIDE COMPLETE INFORMATION FOR EACH REFERENCE, INCLUDING NAMES OF ALL AUTHORS (UP TO SIX).
- REFERENCING IN THE TEXT SHOULD BE AS A **SUPERSCRPTION WITHOUT SPACE,**
- MULTIPLE REFERENCE NUMBERS SHOULD BE WITH A COMMA & NO SPACING BETWEEN THEM.
- CONTINUES MULTIPLE REFERENCES SHOULD BE NUMBERED WITH INITIAL AND LAST NUMBERS WITH A DASH & NOSPACING BETWEEN THEM.
- IF REFERENCE NUMBER IS AT THE END OF THE SENTENCE, THEN IT SHOULD BE AFTER FULLSTOP WITHOUT SPACE.

#### **JOURNAL REFERENCE STYLE:**



- AUTHORS (LAST NAME FIRST NAME INITIAL). ARTICLE TITLE. ABBREVIATED JOURNAL TITLE. YEAR MONTH DATE; VOLUME NUMBER (ISSUE NUMBER): INCLUSIVE PAGES.
- THE WORDS "VOLUME" AND "NUMBER" (OR THEIR ABBREVIATIONS) ARE USUALLY OMITTED WHEN CITING JOURNAL ARTICLES, BUT ARE INCLUDED WHEN CITING BOOKS.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

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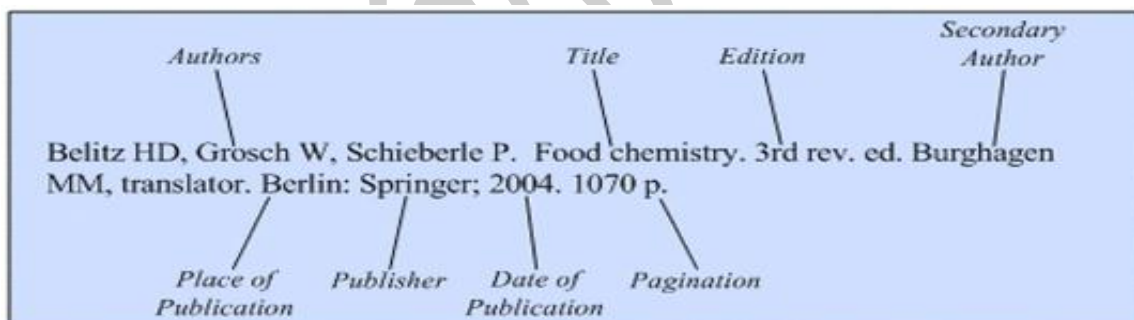
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