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**Abstract**: Abstract must not contain more than 300 words. Use of abbreviations should be minimized and references not to be quoted in the abstract. The abstract must be structured under the following headings:

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**Background:** It should explain the background of the study, a summary of the existing literature; give the importance or contribution of the study to existing knowledge, its aims and objectives.

*Methods:* How the study was performed and statistical tests used.

- *Results:* The main findings.
- *Conclusions:* It must be clearly stated in the end.
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### • Material & Methods:

The material and methods should include:

- Design, setting and sample size of the study.
- · Characteristics of study population or description of materials used.
- Detail of all procedures and intervention. Generic names of the drug used in research should be used and mention the brand name in parentheses.
- Provide details of statistical analysis carried out for the study. Specify the level of significance used in statistical analysis.

#### Results:

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Clearly state the findings of the study based on statistical analysis; subheadings may be used to describe the results.

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- Tables and figures must have a title, should be on separate page.
- Tables submitted as photographs will not be accepted.
- Photographs of patients if used, must be with written permission.
- All photographs should be very clear, sharp, glossy and of 5 x 7 inches in size.
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#### • Discussion

There must be discussion of the important findings in perspective of existing knowledge with references. Limitations of the study if any must be mentioned at the end of discussion.

#### · Conclusions

Clearly state the main conclusions and mention the importance of the study reported.

#### • Acknowledgements:

- All contributors must be mentioned in acknowledgements, such as a person who provided general support and material for the research. Financial support should also be acknowledged.
- Persons who reviewed the study proposal critically, collected data and took care of the study patients.

## References

- o References should be on a separate page.
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Slifka MK, Whitton JL. Clinical implications of dysregulated cytokine production. Dig J Mol Med. 2000; doi:10.1007/s80109000086.

#### o Article within a journal supplement

Frumin AM, Nussbaum J, Esposito M. Functional asplenia: demonstration of splenic activity by bone marrow scan. Blood 1979;59 Suppl 1:26-32.

- o **Books**: Polit DF, Hungler BP. Nursing research principles and methods. 6th ed. Philadelphia: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins; 1999.
- Chapter in Book: Buse JB, Polonsky KS, Burant CF. Type 2 diabetes mellitus. In: Larsen PR, Kronenberg HM, Melmed S, Polonsky KS (eds). Williams Text Book of Endocrinology 2003; pp 1427-1467. Saunders, Philadelphia, PA.

#### o Online database

Healthwise Knowledgebase. US Pharmacopeia, Rockville. 1998. http://www.healthwise.org. Accessed 21 Sept 1998.

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  - o Title
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  - o Introduction: It must contain summary of the existing literature.
  - o **Case presentation:** It must include detail of the patient's related demographic information, medical history, sign and symptoms, treatment given or any procedure done, outcomes and any other significant details.

#### **o** Discussion, conclusion and References.

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