

General requirements

1. Is the shipment blinded?
2. Is it written in Word double-spaced in Time New Roman 12 letters?
3. Are the pages and lines numbered?
4. Are the tables and graphs in Word files, numbered and each one separately?
5. Is the title clear, precise and complete?

Summary

6. Does it contain less than 250 words?
7. Is it identified in sections (Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Conclusions
8. Is the level of evidence expressly indicated (Oxford Center for Evidence Based Medicine)?

Introduction

9. Is the problem defined?
10. Are the background and bibliographic citations that support or originate the work cited?
11. Are the objectives stated and clearly specified?

Materials and methods

12. Is the research design, materials and methods used, population, sample selection criteria, data collection and analysis strategies, and study validity criteria well described?
13. Are the images correctly identified and numbered in the text?
14. Are the images sent separately in PNG, TIFF or JPEG files and are each around 2MB in size?
15. Do the tables and graphs (display numerical values) have brief titles and headings, are they clear and explanatory?
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Results

17. Are they consistent with the work objectives?
18. Does the evidence support the claims in the work?

Discussion

19. Are the results compared with those of other studies?

20. Are the limitations of the study, future research and lines of action stated?

Conclusion

21. Is it explained correctly

22. Does it respond to the work objectives?

Bibliography

23. Are you cited with Vancouver (NHL) regulations?

24. Do they have a digital identifier (DOI or PMID)?

25. Recommendation:

- Accepted submission
- Revisions required
- Resubmit for review
- Resubmit Elsewhere
- Decline Submission
- See comments