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Manuscript Preparation

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Formatting Instructions

- **Font:** Times New Roman, size 12
- **Spacing:** Double-spaced

- **Margins:** 1 inch on all sides
- **Text Alignment:** Justified
- **Page Numbers:** Number all pages sequentially
- **File Type:** Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx)
- **Template:** Manuscript must follow the official *Article Template* available in the downloads section

Submission

All manuscripts must be submitted via email to: editorjids.sddch@gmail.com

Authors must ensure their work is original, unpublished, and not under consideration elsewhere.

Required Submission Documents

1. Manuscript file formatted per the Article Template
2. Completed **Copyright Transfer Form**
[Available at: https://www.jids.org.in](https://www.jids.org.in)
3. Cover letter

Publication Fees

There are **no article processing or publication fees** for JIDS.

Ethical Considerations

Plagiarism

All submissions must be original. Plagiarism in any form is strictly prohibited. Detected plagiarism will lead to immediate rejection and appropriate action.

Ethical Approval

Research involving human or animal subjects must comply with established ethical standards, including the **Declaration of Helsinki** and CPCSEA/ICMR guidelines. Include:

- Details of ethical approval
- Patient consent for identifiable information (where applicable)
- Ethical statement in the *Materials and Methods* section

Types of Articles Accepted

Article Type	Word Limit	Tables & Figures	References
Editorials	≤1000	Up to 2	Up to 10
Original Articles	3000–5000	Up to 5	Up to 40
Review Articles	3000–5000	Up to 6	Up to 50
Case Reports	As required	As appropriate	Standard
Case Series	As required	As appropriate	Standard
Letters to the Editor	≤1000	–	Up to 4
Book Reviews	Editor's discretion	–	–

Manuscript Submission Checklist

Submit the following as **separate documents**:

- Cover Letter (signed by all authors)
- Main Manuscript

- Tables, Figures, Graphs (with legends)

Include in Submission:

- Declaration of originality
 - Disclosure of previous publications/presentations
 - Source of funding (if any)
 - Conflict of interest statement
 - Copyright Transfer Form
 - Title Page with:
 - Full author names and affiliations
 - Corresponding author's contact details
 - Running title (≤ 45 characters)
 - Manuscript details (pages, tables, figures)
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Manuscript Structure

1. Cover Letter

Briefly describe the significance of your manuscript and its relevance to JIDS.

2. Title Page

Include full names, qualifications, institutional affiliations, and corresponding author details. Do **not** include author names in the main manuscript to ensure blinded peer review.

3. Abstract & Keywords

- **Word Limit:** 200–300 words
- **Structure:** Aim, Methods, Results, Conclusions
- **Keywords:** 3–10 terms (preferably from MeSH); avoid repeating title words

4. Body of Manuscript

Original Articles

- Introduction
- Materials & Methods
- Results
- Discussion
- Conclusion
- Clinical Significance
- Acknowledgments
- References

Review Articles

- Background
- Review Results
- Discussion
- Conclusion
- Clinical Significance
- Acknowledgments
- References

Case Reports / Case Series

- Background
 - Case Description
 - Discussion
 - Conclusion
 - Clinical Significance
 - Acknowledgments
 - References
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Section Guidelines

Introduction

Provide concise background, rationale, and study objectives. Avoid extensive literature review.

Materials and Methods

Describe study design, sample size, materials (with manufacturer details in parentheses), ethical approvals, and methodology clearly to enable replication.

Statistical Methods

Express variability as standard deviation (SD) or standard error of the mean (SEM) with sample size (n). Clearly state statistical tests used and significance levels.

Results

Present results clearly and logically. Refer to figures/tables without repeating data. Do not include interpretation.

Discussion

Interpret results in context with previous findings. Discuss limitations, implications, and recommendations. Avoid repeating earlier sections.

Conclusion

Summarize findings, reflecting on strengths/limitations. Align conclusions with study objectives.

Acknowledgments

Acknowledge contributors and funding sources.

Ethical Declarations

Include statements on:

- Patient consent (if applicable)
- Conflicts of interest
- Funding source and role
- Ethics approval

Figures & Tables

Figures

- Format: JPEG/PNG
- Resolution: ≥ 300 dpi

- Size: $\geq 600 \times 450$ pixels
- Label: Fig. 1, Fig. 2, etc.
- Provide descriptive legends
- Cite in text appropriately

Tables

- Use Word's "Insert Table" function
- Include titles and legends
- Number as Table 1, Table 2, etc.
- Do not duplicate data across text, tables, or figures

References

- Follow **Vancouver Style** in citation order (not alphabetical)
- Cite in-text using superscripts (e.g., ...smear layer.^{4,5})
- Format Examples:

Journal Article

Jeong AK, Lee HK, Kim SY, Cho KJ. Basal cell adenoma in the parapharyngeal space: MR findings. *Clin Imaging*. 2001;25:392–395.

Book

Ohlsen MM, Horne AM, Lowe CF. *Group Counseling*. New York: Holt, Rinehart, and Winston; 1988. p. 416.

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Prasanthi LK. A study... [Internet]. Bengaluru: RGUHS; 2008 [cited 2023 Nov 25]. Available from: [http://www.rguhs.ac.in/cdc/...](http://www.rguhs.ac.in/cdc/)

After Acceptance

- Authors will receive an acceptance email
- Galley proofs will be sent for approval

- Authors must return corrected proofs within **48–72 hours**
 - Only minor edits are allowed at this stage
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Revised Manuscripts

- Authors must revise manuscripts promptly upon receiving reviewer comments
 - Submit a point-by-point response and a revised manuscript within **3 months**
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