

Instructions for Authors

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Main Considerations and Short Guideline

Please check the following notes before submitting your manuscript:

- 1. The abstract must be structured (i.e., Background and objectives, Methods, Results, and Conclusion).
- 2. Keywords are included according to MeSh and separated by semicolons.
- 3. Highlights of the study should be included. (For more information please read the previous issues). The authors are also invited to submit the graphical abstract of their article.
- 4. Ethical approval (For human or animal subjects), Funding resources and Conflicts of interests should be stated.
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- 7. All figures and tables should be included in the text after the reference list and cited properly in main document.
- 8. A cover letter must be included when submitting a paper and must state the novelty of the paper.
- 9. Manuscripts should be submitted electronically through Online Submission System.

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Conclusion

This section should provide the main conclusions and explain the importance and relevance of the study reported. Avoid introducing new findings in this section or reporting general conclusions or facts. This section could also highlight potential directions for future studies.

Acknowledgments

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