# **Author's Checklist**



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# Final checklist for manuscript submission

- ☐ A copyright transfer agreement and disclosure of conflict of interest form should be submitted electronically on the submission website after confirmation of publication. This form is identical to the Creative Commons (Attribution-Noncommercial) at: https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/4.0/legalcode.
- ☐ Any potential conflicts of interest relevant to the manuscript should be stated in the Conflicts of Interest.
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- ☐ In the case of human studies, a statement concerning Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval and consent procedures must appear at the beginning of the Methods section.
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- □ ORCIDs (Open Researcher and Contributor ID) for corresponding and first authors are recommended to be provided.

# Checklist for formatting of the manuscript

- ☐ The manuscript should be organized in the following sequence: title page, abstract and keywords, main body (introduction, methods, results, discussion), conflicts of interest, funding statements, acknowledgments, references, tables, and figure legends.
- □ The manuscript must be double-spaced in 12-point font with 3-cm blank margin on both sides, top, and bottom on A4-sized paper (21×30 cm) or North American letter-sized paper (8½ in×11 in).

#### 1. Original articles

- □ The title page should be as follows; the title of the manuscript, a short running title less than 50 characters, names of all authors and their current affiliations.
- ☐ The word limit for a title is 20 English words and the first letter of each word of a title must be capitalized.

- ☐ Provide an abstract of not more than 250 words composed of background, methods, results, and conclusion.
- ☐ Original articles should be no more than 4,000 words (excluding abstract, references, figure or table legends), include no more than 50 references and no more than 6 figures/tables.

#### 2. Reviews

- ☐ A review article should include an abstract not exceeding 200 words and keywords.
- ☐ The number of references should not exceed 150.

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- ☐ The manuscript should include a short non-structured abstract (180 words maximum), introduction, methods, results, and discussion.
- ☐ The total manuscript length should not exceed 1,500 words, excluding references and abstract.
- ☐ A maximum of 20 references and 2 figures or tables are allowed.

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☐ The number of references should not exceed 20.

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- ☐ The word limit is 1,000 words and the number of references should not exceed 10.
- $\square$  No more than one table or one figure is allowed.

# Detailed checklist for manuscript submission

- ☐ Abbreviations should be used only when necessary and defined on first use.
  - e.g., high density lipoprotein cholesterol (HDL-C)
- ☐ Clinical laboratory values and units should be in Système International (SI) form.
- $\Box$  Leave a space before a unit, a number, a parenthesis and before and after any sign such as  $\pm$ , <, >, and =.
  - e.g., body weight 52 kg, diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA), 57.5  $\pm 33.3$ ,  $< 30 \text{ kg/m}^2$

#### 1. References

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- □ The descriptions of the journal references should follow the National Library of Medicine (NLM) Style Guide for Authors, Editors, and Publishers. Patrias K. Citing medicine: the NLM style guide for authors, editors, and publishers [Internet]. Available from: http://www.nlm.nih.gov/citingmedicine The order should be as follows; authors' names (list the first six authors and add "et al."), title, journal name, year, volume, and page numbers.
  - Bae EJ, Park BH. Multiple roles of sirtuin 6 in adipose tissue inflammation. Diabetes Metab J 2023;47:164-72.
  - Inzucchi SE, Maggs DG, Spollett GR, Page SL, Rife FS, Walton V, et al. Efficacy and metabolic effects of metformin and troglitazone in type II diabetes mellitus. N Engl J Med 1998;338:867-72.

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- □ Only the first word should be capitalized inside a table.
- ☐ Unnecessary longitudinal lines should not be used.
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- be separated from each other by a semicolon, without beginning a new line below the table.
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