

Please use this checklist prior to submitting your abstracts.

Submission Files

File	Formats	Notes	Uploaded	N/A
Abstract	doc, docx			
Figure	MS Office, TIFF, JPEG	Digitized images minimum 300 dpi.		
Table	MS Office, TIFF, JPEG	Digitized images minimum 300 dpi.		

Submission Elements	Completed
TITLE	
Avoid abbreviations in title	
Use title case capitalization (capitalize each word, except for prepositions < 4 letters)	
AUTHORS	
Institutions and locations (cities) should match	
ABSTRACT	
Abstract headings should be as follows (bolded, followed by a colon):	
Objectives, Methods, Results, Conclusion	
OR	
Background, Case, Conclusion	
Does your abstract have a figure/table?	
Yes: ensure that it is cited in the text	
No: make sure there is no mention of a figure/table in the text	
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eg, .[1]	
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Yes: there should be no more than 3 references.	
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eg, [1.] Almeida C. Autoimmun Rev 2015;14:1087-96.	
FIGURES/TABLES	
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AUTHOR CHECKLIST (ABSTRACTS)

LANGUAGE		
Use US spelling (Merriam-Webster dictionary)		
Spelling and grammar must be checked before submission. Use built-in grammar and editor checks in MS Word.		
Abbreviations and symbols: define at first mention and ensure consistency throughout abstract.		
There is no need to expand the following abbreviations: BMI, 95% CI, IQR, SD		
PUNCTUATION		
Spaces: Use only one space after periods. Place one space in between mean (SD) and median (IQR) values. Do not put a space before a comma or closing bracket.		
NUMBERS AND DATA		
Use hyphens for 95% CI ranges and IQRs (eg, 95% CI 5.0-10.5, IQR 2.0-4.3). The exception is negative values in ranges, which should be separated by a comma (eg, 95% CI –5, 9).		
Place a space in between symbols and numerals (eg, < 50, n = 191). There should be no spaces after a hyphen.		
Exponents should be preceded by a caret (^), with no space in between (eg, 10^9)		

For reference on formatting, please see the this example.