Author Guidelines

The aim and scope:

The Journal of paramedical sciences (JPS) is a quarterly journal of Shahid Beheshti Medical University (SBMU), and publishes Original Articles, Review Articles, Case Reports, Short Communications, and Letter to the Editor in areas as varied as Medical Informatics, Biostatistics, Biomedical Sciences, Medical Records, and Medical Library and Information Sciences. The aim is to develop the frontiers of knowledge and to publish research findings at international level.

Article Types

Editorials:
An editorial article is one which is generated on an original article, or a special subject and issue, published by the JPS. This is generated by the Editor-In-Chief, or the Editorial Team.

Original Research Articles:
The major load in each JPS issue is devoted to original research (7 articles). All original articles should follow the ICMJE instructions.

Review Articles:
The review articles are exclusively requested by the Editorial Team and prepared by specific authors.

Case Reports:
Case reports are accepted upon special occasions by the Editorial Team.

Letter to the Editor:
A Letter to the Editor is a scientific review of an article published in the last JPS issue. It has to be prepared in not more than 500 words. In case the original author wishes to provide an answer, the letter and the answer shall be published in the same issue.

Short Communication:
This is a short report published upon the approval of the Editorial Team. In cases where the short communication is authored on a scientific article, the original author will not be permitted to publish the original article in other journals.

Other Submissions:
Submissions such as correspondences, occasional notes, book reviews, and other types of articles are published upon the approval of JPS Editorial Team.

Submission Rules:
The Editorial Team holds the right to admit, to reject, to edit, or to summarize the submitted articles in any form, or by any means.
All submissions have to be in English. The submitted articles should not have been published elsewhere under any format. The submitted articles should not be under consideration by any other publications elsewhere in any form. Once the article is submitted, the author(s) shall not send it to other publications or journals for consideration, unless they are informed of the Editorial Team's decision for the rejection of the article, or no response is received within three months following submission notification. The author(s) shall sign the JPS Copyright Form, and shall send it to JPS Editorial Office both electronically and by regular post. The author(s) have to inform JPS Editorial Office in cases where the submitted article had been previously presented and/or published in a conference, or convention/or their proceedings. The Editorial Team will keep the right for decision for publication of the article. The preliminary announcement of the scientific outcomes of an article submitted to JPS and not yet published is against JPS policies. The authors have to inform JPS Editorial Office on the results of their article. The Editor-in-Chief will decide whether to publish it. The authors have to follow all rules and regulations related to medical ethics. Articles based on clinical trials and conducted in Iran are accepted when they are first registered in Iranian Registry of Clinical Trials (IRCT). All submissions have to be in Word 2007 format. General Guide Lines for Article Preparation & Submission: All article pages have to be numbered.

The article format has to be as follows:

The Title Page:

A separate page is devoted to the title page.

In the Title Page (the first page), the following is exactly followed:

The title of article

Author(s) information (including full name, academic rank, the related institution, the office address, and phone number)

The address of the Corresponding Author (including e-mail and telephone number)

All names have to be clearly indicated in the order they wish to be indicated in JPS. No name change will be permitted once the ordering is submitted.

The Abstract:

The Abstract is in English,

The Abstract is submitted along with the article in one package,

The Abstract is limited to 200-250 words,

The Abstract is formed in one paragraph only,

The formatting of the Abstract includes the ordering as in the article. As the article follows IMRAD formatting style, the same is followed in the Abstract as well.

The Keywords:

The Keyword is prepared in one line under the Abstract,

Each article may have a keyword of between 3-5 words.

The initial letter of each of the words is capitalized,
Semi-Colons separate the keywords; no punctuation mark is used after the last keyword.

The Article Content

The Article Content follows ICMJE format.

The Formulas:

All formulas have to be typed; otherwise, they have to be photographed as pictures and submitted as was said in the picture formatting.

Acknowledgements:

All Logistic, financial and technical assistance along with the nature of the support have to be noted, in case the article is previously approved by an organization, the approval number and the funding organization have to be mentioned, in case the article is a part of an educational proposal, the educational rank, the name of the university, the faculty, and the related department have to be mentioned.

References:

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Journal articles


Book Chapter