

GUIDELINES FOR ANNALS' ARTICLE CATEGORIES

Requirements for Article Categories

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	SPECIFICATIONS
Original Article	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scientific report of the results of original clinical research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses the IMRDC format (Introduction, Method, Results, Discussion and Conclusion) Structured abstract: 250 words (see instructions for abstract in Instructions for Authors: https://annals.edu.sg/instructions-for-authors/) Main text: 3000 words (main text content, i.e. excluding abstract, captions, tables, figures, references and acknowledgements) 3–5 keywords different from the title, in alphabetical order Tables and figures (total): Maximum of 6 References: 40 Provide a summary of up to 80 words in bullet points for a Clinical Impact box (see instructions for manuscript in Instructions for Authors: https://annals.edu.sg/instructions-for-authors/) When accepted for publication, please prepare a visual abstract for your article. This will be used in the web article as an anchor image, and on social media to promote the study. See section on "Support in promoting your article": https://annals.edu.sg/instructions-for-authors/ Specifications for the visual abstract: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> File format: PowerPoint or other file formats with editable text and figures Size and orientation: 1000 x 545px, landscape Proposed typeface/font: Avenir pt 12 or larger
Review Article	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides critical analysis on topics of current clinical interest Systematic reviews are preferred, including details of data sources, inclusion criteria and data extraction and synthesis Comprehensive narrative reviews are also welcomed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses the IMRDC format (Introduction, Method, Results, Discussion and Conclusion) or narrative review, depending on study design Structured abstract: 250 words (see instructions for preparing structured abstract) Main text: 4000 words (main text content, i.e. excluding abstract, captions, tables, figures, references and acknowledgements) 3–5 keywords different from the title, in alphabetical order Tables and figures (total): Maximum of 6 References: 60 Provide a summary of up to 80 words in bullet

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Editorial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides analysis and commentary on article(s) featured in the issue of the journal in which they appear These are generally solicited Unsolicited Editorials must be approved by the Editor first 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1000–1400 words No abstract No headings References: 10
Letter to the Editor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a forum for readers to comment on recently published articles in the journal Features concise articles, such as reports of novel cases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1000 words (main text content, i.e. excluding abstract, captions, tables, figures, references and acknowledgements) No abstract Table or figure (total): 1 No headings References: 10 Authorship: Maximum of 7 authors
Commentary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a personal perspective and an expert opinion on a healthcare, medical or ethics topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1700 words Abstract: Unstructured form within 250 words Tables and figures (total): 4 References: 20
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