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• Author Contributions Form, and
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Title page: A separate title page should be submitted with all submissions and this page should include:
• The full title of the manuscript as well as a short title (running head) of no more than 50 characters,
Abstract: An abstract should be submitted with all submissions except for Letters to the Editor. The abstract of Original Articles should be structured with subheadings (Objective, Materials and Methods, Results, and Conclusion). Please check Table 1 below for word count specifications.

Keywords: Each submission must be accompanied by a minimum of three to a maximum of six keywords for subject indexing at the end of the abstract. The keywords should be listed in full without abbreviations. The keywords should be selected from the National Library of Medicine, Medical Subject Headings database (https://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/MBrowser.html).

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Original Articles: This is the most important type of article since it provides new information based on original research. The main text of original articles should be structured with Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, and Discussion subheadings. Please check Table 1 for the limitations for Original Articles.

Statistical analysis to support conclusions is usually necessary. Statistical analyses must be conducted in accordance with international statistical reporting standards (Altman DG, Gore SM, Gardner MJ, Pocock SJ. Statistical guidelines for contributors to medical journals. Br Med J 1983: 7; 1489-93). Information on statistical analyses should be provided with a separate subheading under the Materials and Methods section and the statistical software that was used during the process must be specified.

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Review Articles: Reviews prepared by authors who have extensive knowledge on a particular field and whose scientific background has been translated into a high volume of publications with a high citation potential are welcomed. These authors may even be invited by the journal. Reviews should describe, discuss, and evaluate the current level of knowledge of a topic in clinical practice and should guide future studies. The main text should contain Introduction, Clinical and Research Consequences, and Conclusion sections. Please check Table 1 for the limitations for Review Articles.

Case Reports: There is limited space for case reports in the journal and reports on rare cases or conditions that constitute challenges in diagnosis and treatment, those offering new therapies or revealing knowledge not included in the literature, and interesting and educative case reports are accepted for publication. The text should include Introduction, Case Report, and Discussion subheadings. Please check Table 1 for the limitations for Case Reports.

Letters to the Editor: This type of manuscript discusses important parts, overlooked aspects, or lacking parts of a previously published article. Articles on subjects within the scope of the journal that might attract the readers’ attention, particularly educative cases, may also be submitted in the form of a “Letter to the Editor.” Readers can also present their

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**Images of Interest:** Our image section consists of a case report of 250 words, a few instructional points, a maximum of two figures, and two references. We do ask that authors indicate that they have obtained patient consent if applicable. Image submissions should also include a title page, keywords and references. No additional legend subtitles for figures are necessary.

**Tables**
Tables should be included in the main document, presented after the reference list, and they should be numbered consecutively in the order they are referred to within the main text. A descriptive title must be placed above the tables. Abbreviations used in the tables should be defined below the tables by footnotes (even if they are defined within the main text). Tables should be created using the “insert table” command of the word processing software and they should be arranged clearly to provide easy reading. Data presented in the tables should not be a repetition of the data presented within the main text but should be supporting the main text.

**Figures and Figure Legends**
Figures, graphics, and photographs should be submitted as separate files (in TIFF or JPEG format) through the submission system. The files should not be embedded in a Word document or the main document. When there are figure subunits, the subunits should not be merged to form a single image. Each subunit should be submitted separately through the submission system. Images should not be labeled (a, b, c, etc.) to indicate figure subunits. Thick and thin arrows, arrowheads, stars, asterisks, and similar marks can be used on the images to support figure legends. Like the rest of the submission, the figures too should be blind. Any information within the images that may indicate an individual or institution should be blinded. The minimum resolution of each submitted figure should be 300 DPI. To prevent delays in the evaluation process, all submitted figures should be clear in resolution and large in size (minimum dimensions: 100 x 100 mm). Figure legends should be listed at the end of the main document.

All acronyms and abbreviations used in the manuscript should be defined at first use, both in the abstract and in the main text. The abbreviation should be provided in parentheses following the definition.

When a drug, product, hardware, or software program is mentioned within the main text, product information, including the name of the product, the producer of the product, and city and the country of the company (including the state if in USA), should be provided in parentheses in the following format: “Discovery St PET/CT scanner (General Electric, Milwaukee, WI, USA)”

All references, tables, and figures should be referred to within the main text, and they should be numbered consecutively in the order they are referred to within the main text.

Limitations, drawbacks, and the shortcomings of original articles should be mentioned in the Discussion section before the conclusion paragraph.

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The Eurasian J Med requires that all digital artwork be prepared according to professional standards. Digital files must meet the Journal requirements to be accepted for publication.

Files that do not meet the guidelines will be rejected. Please refer to the instructions below when preparing images for publication.

A. Image Preparation Checklist. To verify that you have fulfilled the requirements for electronic image preparation, use the following checklist. Each category is expanded below the checklist (Table 3).

1. **Black-and-white images** are saved in grayscale mode (not black and white).
2. **Photographic images** are saved in RGB color mode (not CMYK or indexed color).
3. Files are submitted in native TIFF or EPS and are not embedded in another program such as Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, or Excel.
4. Charts or illustrations created in Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel) are submitted in native format and do not include embedded images.
5. Charts created in SPSS, SigmaPlot or ChemDraw are submitted as EPS images.
6. All graphics are sized to 100% of their print dimensions so that no scaling is necessary (3.2” wide for 1-column figures and 6.4” wide for 2-column figures).
7. Images have been scanned according to our scanning guidelines.
8. Files are named using our recommended naming conventions.

B. Color. When preparing digital images for publication, it is important to scan and save the electronic files in the correct color space.

1. **Photographic images.** Images such as photographs, angiograms, echocardiograms, etc., should be scanned and saved in RGB color mode, even if the images will be printed in grayscale. (The journal compositors will convert these images to their final grayscale or CMYK color modes.) Note: Printing in color is expensive and is not
always necessary. Please inform the Journal editors if an image re-
quires color for clarity.

2. Line art. Black-and-white images, including line drawings, charts, graphs, and ECG and EEG tracings, should be scanned and saved in gray-
scale mode (not black-and white or color). (For charts created in SPSS, refer to Section C.2 on creating EPS file formats. For charts and graphs created in Microsoft Office, refer to Section C.3.)

3. Avoid ICC Profiles. Images should not contain any ICC profiles.

C. File Format. Submit only TIFF or EPS for electronic images. See in-
structions for submitting artwork that was created in Microsoft Office programs (Word, PowerPoint, Excel).

1. TIFF (Tagged Image File Format). TIFF is recommended for photo-
graphic images. When preparing TIFF images, be sure to refer to our
scanning guidelines for the proper resolution. Note: The Journal accepts
TIFF images that are saved with LZW compression; choosing this option
will result in smaller files. In most software programs, a TIFF is made by
choosing File/Save as… or Export/TIFF or TIF. For more information,
consult the Help menu of your software.

2. EPS (Encapsulated Postscript). EPS is recommended for line art,
charts, and illustrations that are created using professional drawing pro-
grams such as Adobe Illustrator, SPSS, ChemDraw, CorelDraw, Sigma-
Plot, etc. When submitting EPS files for publication, be sure to use the
following guidelines:
   • Convert text to outlines or include/embed fonts. Use only jour-
nal-approved fonts.
   • Flatten any layers.
   • Use line weights greater than 0.5 points.
   • Include an 8-bit preview/header at a resolution of 72 dpi.
   • Save color images in RGB color mode.

In most drawing programs, an EPS file is made by choosing File/Save
as … or Export/EPS. For more information, consult the Help menu of
your software.

3. Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint). Charts and illustrations
created in any Microsoft Office programs are accepted. Do not submit
Microsoft Office files that contain embedded images. When creating
charts and illustrations, use the following guidelines:
   • Work in black and white, not color.
   • Do not use patterns for fill color; use black, white, and shades of gray.
   • Avoid 3-dimensional charts.
   • Use only Journal-approved fonts.
   • Use line weights greater than 0.5 points.
   • Submit the grouped image so that the Journal compositors can ac-
cess the datasheet.

4. AVOID THE FOLLOWING:
   • Submitting graphics that are downloaded or saved from Web pages.
The resolution will be too low, regardless of how the image looks
on screen.
   • Submitting GIF files. GIF files are never appropriate for publication.
   • Scanning preprinted photographs (already published halftones).
The printing process introduces distortion into the photograph that
will transfer to the scan.
   • Generating TIFFs within the Microsoft Office Document
   • Scanning Program. This proprietary program changes the image
   formatting in such a way that the image cannot be opened in our
   image evaluation program.

D. Resolution and Scanning
1. Images must be scanned at the proper resolution to ensure print qual-
ity. Use the following guidelines to select the correct scanning resolution.
Images that are scanned at lower resolutions will be rejected.
   • Photographic images without text or arrows: 300 dpi/cci
   • Photographic images with text or arrows: 600 dpi/cci
   • Black-and-white line art: 1200 dpi/cci

   a. Scanning photographic images without text or arrows
   • Scan in RGB mode.
   • Scan at 300 dpi/cci.
   • Select a target width of 7.5 cm for 1-column figures and 15.5 cm for
   2-column figures.
   • Crop images tightly; do not scan the margins.
   • Use the Eurasian J Med naming convention; save as a TIFF and apply
   LZW compression.

   b. Scanning photographic images with text or arrows
   • Scan in RGB mode.
   • Scan at 600 dpi/cci (even if text or labels will be added after the
   image is scanned).
   • Select a target width of 7.5 cm for 1-column figures or 15.5 cm for
   2-column figures.
   • Crop images tightly; do not scan the margins.
   • If adding labels, use an approved font. If the labels are pixilated, you
   may be asked for an unlabeled version.
   • Use the Eurasian J Med naming convention; save as a TIFF and apply
   LZW compression.

   c. Scanning black-and-white line art
   • Scan in grayscale mode.
   • Scan at 1200 dpi/cci.
   • Select a target width of 7.5 cm" for 1-column figures and 15.5 cm" for
   2-column figures.
2. Scanning originals that are smaller than the target width
- Choose the correct color space for the photographic image or line art.
- Determine the correct resolution. If an image has a width smaller than the target width, it is necessary to compensate by increasing the scanning resolution. To increase the resolution, divide the actual width by the target width (either 7.5 cm or 15.5 cm). Multiply the answer by the target dpi and round up to the nearest hundred. The result will determine the scanning dpi. Use the following example: If an image is 2.4” wide and needs to be 300 dpi/ppi at 3” wide, then 3 divided by 2.4 = 1.25, 1.25 times 300 = 375, and round up to 400. Thus, if the 2.4” image is scanned at 400 dpi/ppi, the Journal can properly convert the image to be 3” wide at 300 dpi.
- Use the Eurasian J Med naming convention and save.

E. Naming Files
1. Naming convention. Please use the following naming convention for electronic images:

   
   Example Format / Color Mode / Resolution

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2. Revising images. Any time that you revise an image and resubmit it to the Journal, you need to add a version number to ensure that the image will be re-evaluated.

   For example: Smith1.eps would be saved the next time as Smith1_v2.eps

Note: Always allow the software program to add the file format extension. Files that do not contain an extension will be rejected. To change a file format extension, you must use a software program; renaming a file extension does not properly convert a file. For example, simply renaming the JPG extension as TIFF does not convert the file to a TIFF image. Opening a JPG file in Photoshop (or in a comparable software program) and saving as a TIFF does properly convert the file.

Note: You can safely change the author last name + figure number (i.e., anything before the “dot-file format” portion) by using the Rename command.

F. Approved Fonts. Please use one of the following fonts for text in labels, graphs, and charts:

Adobe Garamond
Arial
Helvetica
Symbol
Times New Roman
Univers LT

G. Labels
1. Do not place figure labels (A, B, C, etc.) on the digital images; include the letter in the figure file name (for example, Smith2B.tif).
2. If images are part of an A, B, C series, scan and submit each image separately.

H. How to Submit Images. To submit digital artwork, refer to the information in the Manuscript Submission section.

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While citing publications, preference should be given to the latest, most up-to-date publications. If an ahead-of-print publication is cited, the DOI number should be provided. Authors are responsible for the accuracy of references. Journal titles should be abbreviated in accordance with the journal abbreviations in Index Medicus/ MEDLINE/PubMed. When there are six or fewer authors, all authors should be listed. If there are seven or more authors, the first three authors should be listed followed by “et al.” In the main text of the manuscript, references should be cited using Arabic numbers in parentheses. The reference styles for different types of publications are presented in the following examples.


Editor(s) as Author: Huizing EH, de Groot JAM, editors. Functional reconstructive nasal surgery. Stuttgart-New York: Thieme; 2003.


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