# JRCR - updated author guidelines for 2013

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## ABSTRACT

This article describes updates on author guidelines for manuscripts submitted on or after January 1, 2013 to the interactive *Journal of Radiology Case Reports*.

# EDITORIAL

To further improve the quality and educational value of the articles published in the Journal of Radiology Case Reports (1), new requirements have been added for manuscript submission (2):

#### General:

- Abbreviations need to be spelled out the first time mentioned.
- Abbreviations are only permitted in Teaching Point, tables and Q/As, if spelled out the first time in the respective section (each question in Q/As is treated separately).
- We do not provide any writing assistance (English and grammar) anymore.
- Punctuation and grammar receive more weight in the review process. Please do a thorough proof read by an English proficient person.

#### Case Report:

- The case report section needs a dedicated section for imaging findings, management and follow-up (preceded by a respective subheader).
- If imaging findings are mentioned (such as lesions, masses or other measurable findings), please provide three-dimensional measurements whenever mentioned (in case report and figure legends).

## Discussion:

- The discussion needs to contain at least the following subsections preceded by the respective subheader:
  - Etiology & demographics
  - Clinical & imaging findings
  - Treatment & prognosis
  - o Differential Diagnoses
- If the discussion mentions "rare" or some other indicator about a frequency, then please provide the numbers (e.g. incidence/prevalence, percentage etc.)

#### Figures & Figure legends:

- Please omit all text data on figures only annotations such as arrows and symbols are allowed.
- All figures need annotations.
- All significant findings need to be labeled on figures.
- Figure legends need to be split into three sections: "Age, gender, diagnosis", Findings and Technique. An example: 39 year old female with XYZ. FINDINGS: XYZ. TECHNIQUE: XYZ
- Please provide three-dimensional measurements for measurable imaging findings.

# Tables:

• All tables need a table legend explaining what the respective table is about.

## **References:**

- A minimum of 5 references (separated by semicolon) is needed.
- References need to be up-to-date.
- Reference numbers need to be placed at the end of the respective sentence within square brackets ([]).

# Keywords:

- A minimum of 5 keywords related to the case report is necessary
- Suggested keywords are the diagnosis itself, synonyms, eponyms, affected body region, modality used, Mesh terms

These new requirements take effect on *January 1, 2013* and include new submissions as well as revisions of manuscripts that have been submitted prior to this date.

The manuscript template (3) has been updated accordingly and is <u>mandatory</u> to use. More information about the author guidelines can be obtained on the journal website (4).

# References

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