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- Original Research
- Case Presentations
- Process Improvement

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FORMAT

1. Abstracts must **not** exceed one page.
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TITLE

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INTRODUCTION

The format of the abstract is illustrated in the sample abstract below; the template is designed for the preparation of your abstract. The SAMPLE text is for demonstration purposes only. Replace the sample title, author listing, author affiliations, designated presenting author's email address, and abstract text in the sample abstract with your abstract title, author listing, author affiliations, email address and text.

BODY TEXT

The abstract body is in two-column format and must include the following subjects: Introduction, Methods/Case Presentation, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, References; Acknowledgments are optional. Photographs / graphics may be included to substantiate results.

Abstract Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Statement

Potential conflicts of interest pertinent to the research should be included. All authors should provide any relevant information concerning personal or professional circumstances and relationships that might reasonably be expected to affect the author's view on the subject.

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Example: Abstract Title Centred and Bold in Upper- and Lowercase

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INTRODUCTION

The introduction should introduce the background to the work that has been carried out. It should contain citations to the key literature to support this rationale and should lead to a clearly stated hypothesis or set of objectives. References must be added in the text with superscripts¹.

“Students differ in the degree to which they are willing and able to express their emotions¹. In this study, we recorded the emotional reactions of men and women to film...”

EXPERIMENTAL METHODS / CASE PRESENTATION

This section should specify exactly what was done experimentally. Subheadings can be used to differentiate the different methods in this section. Sample size and statistical methods used should be indicated in this section.

RESULTS

Authors should consider how to present their data. Figures and tables are to be used in this section. If using histology or microscopic images- scale bars should be included. Graphs should have relevant statistics (statistical significance) with appropriate legends. There should be sufficient information for the reader to understand, but it is not necessary to write an extensive text to explain all the detail.

Emotions	Women	Men
Happiness	14	8
Sadness	6	18

“Table 1 showed that men in the father-watching condition cried significantly more...”

DISCUSSION

Discussion should summaries the observations and attempts to place this data into the context of the existing body of literature to express opinions about the significance of the work.

“These results imply that sex differences in emotional expressiveness are moderated by two kinds of variables...”

CONCLUSION

The conclusions have to be based on the facts in evidence and should be limited to minimal speculation about the significance of the work.

“Males and females students were critical criteria used to determine their emotions during...Consequently; if emotions can incarcerate us by hiding our complexity, at least their expression can liberate us by displaying our authenticity.”

REFERENCES

References must be numbered. Keep the same style.

1. Smith G. *et al.*, J. Biomech. 2:5-11, 2011

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