**PAKISTAN ARMED FORCES MEDICAL JOURNAL**

**Publishing License Agreement**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2024

To: Editor PAFMJ

 PAFMJ Office, Army Medical College

 Rawalpindi

 Email: **pafmj@pafmj.org**

Dear Editor,

**Re: AUTHOR RIGHTS AND PUBLISHING AGREEMENT - PAKISTAN ARMED FORCES MEDICAL JOURNAL**

|  |
| --- |
| **TITLE OF WORK:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

I am the Principal / Corresponding Author of the Work, and my contact details are found in the signature block below. In order to submit the Work for publication with PAFMJ, I understand that:

* It is necessary to complete and submit this Publishing License Agreement, along with the *Journal Publication Terms & Conditions*.
* This Publishing License Agreement, along with the *Journal Publication Terms & Conditions*, together comprise the publishing agreement between me and PAFMJ relating to the Work.
* The submitted work is original and has not been previously published or submitted elsewhere in part or in full.
* As the author, I retain copyright of my work, but I grant PAFMJ the right to publish, reproduce, and distribute the work in both print and electronic formats.
* I agree to pay the required Article Processing Charges (APCs), which cover the costs of editorial work, peer review, and publication. These charges do not affect the open-access status of the article.

I have signed and dated this Author Rights and Publishing Agreement and agree to the Journal Publication Terms & Conditions.

Yours faithfully

***Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

*Principal / Corresponding Author of the Work (“Assignor”)*

***Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Official Email:*** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Signature by corresponding Author: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***(****Digital signature is not acceptable****)***

**Journal Publication Terms & Conditions**

1. **POLICY**

It is the policy of the **Pakistan Armed Forces Medical Journal (PAFMJ)** to publish articles pertaining to different fields of medical sciences providing sufficient contribution to medical knowledge. The journal is presently being published bimonthly. The articles may include new experimental methods of medical importance; new interpretation of existing results or data pertaining to clinical problems and epidemiological work giving substantial scientific information pertaining to medical sciences. All such articles should aim for development of medical concepts rather than mere recording of facts. Article/material that contradicts the Govt Policy, ORBAT/ORGS/insignias/statistics/data related to ops/trg should not be submitted in any form/context to PAFMJ.

* 1. Publications shall not contain anything which discloses Army's decision making process, operational training plans and combat readiness. The content should not put Pakistan and Pakistan Army in disrepute or create a rift between state organization, Army and Civil population of Pakistan.
	2. All such articles should aim for development of medical concepts rather than mere recording of facts. **Incomplete or descriptive observational studies will be discouraged for publication as original articles.**
	3. **Clinical Trials:** All Clinical Trials submitted for publication must be registered in a registry, provide registration proof must be provided and all RCTs must be based on CONSORT statement. **Permission letter for clinical trial is mandatory for all Army Personnel**.
	4. A study more than 5 years old at the time of submission will not be accepted for submission.
1. **EDITORIAL FREEDOM**
	1. Chief Editor has full authority over the editorial content of the journal. There is no interference in the evaluation; selection or editing of individual articles either directly or by creating an environment that strongly influences decisions.
2. **MANUSCRIPT PROCESSING**

Upon the initial submission of the manuscript, the author is acknowledged and allocated a reference number for future correspondence. This process takes place within 2 days. The manuscript is categorized according to the type of article into Original, Review, Short Communication, Case Report and so forth. Each type of article has a special format and should be in compliance with the updated PAFMJ Guidelines for Authors, which are published in all issues and are available on the website. Normally an article is reviewed by at least two subject experts and another member of the editorial committee. If the reviewer has not sent review within stipulated period, a first and then second reminder letters are sent within 2-3 weeks. If, after the second reminder, the reviewer fails to reply, the article is referred to a new reviewer. The usual delay is in the reviewing process owing to the reviewer's professional and academic commitments. The reviewer's comments are communicated to the author. The revised version of the article is sent back to the reviewers. A period of 2-4 months is set to finalize the process. The author will be given 2 weeks to incorporate the reviewers’ comments in the revised manuscript. First reminder will be given at three weeks if the author does not comply with the time lines. Second reminder will be given at 4th week. The article will be declined if no response is received (after two reminders) from the corresponding author concerned. Accepted manuscript is then handed to statistician for data analysis and verification of references respectively. Finally the acceptance letter is issued.

1. **COPYRIGHT STATEMENT**

**4.1** Any article submitted to PAFMJ must be original and not previously submitted to or published by any other journal, either in part or in full. Authors are required to confirm that their submission is original by signing a submission agreement. Authors retain the copyright to their work but grant PAFMJ the exclusive right to publish, reproduce, and distribute the work under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial License (CC BY-NC).

* Authors will be required to assist the editors in the final proofreading of their articles before publication. Even after acceptance, the publication of an article can be declined by PAFMJ based on the decision of the competent authorities.
* All content created and published by PAFMJ (such as editorials, announcements, or non-article materials) remains the property of PAFMJ. However, for articles and materials submitted by external authors, copyright remains with the authors, and submission or publication by PAFMJ does not transfer copyright ownership to the journal.

**LETTER TO EDITOR**

**5.1.** Opinions on topics and articles recently published in the journal will be considered for publication if they are constructive in nature and provide academic/clinical interest. These letters will be forwarded to the author of the cited article for possible response. The editor reserves the right to shorten these letters, delete objectionable comments, make other changes, or take any other suitable decision to comply with the style of the journal.

**Letters Could Be of Two Types:**

1. Comments on recently published articles in the journal (OR)

2. Scientific Letter: reporting cases, outbreaks, or original research.

***Note:*** *Any article submitted to PAFMJ must be original and not previously submitted to or published by any other journal, either in part or in full. Authors are required to confirm that their submission is original by signing a submission agreement. Authors retain the copyright to their work but grant PAFMJ the exclusive right to publish, reproduce, and distribute the work under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial License (CC BY-NC).*

**5.2.** **From Institutional Review Board / Biomedical Ethical Committee/ Ethical Review Committee**
Authors are required to send letter from Institutional Review Board / Biomedical Ethical Committee/Ethical Review Committee along with Original articles and Rapid communications

**5.3**. **Processing /Publication Fee**

The processing fee of **Rs. 2,000/-** (non-refundable) is to be paid at the time of submission of the article through **Online Transfer/Bank Deposit** payable in the favor of PAFMJ-AMC account Please ensure the following steps are completed. On your fee slip, clearly mention the author name, title and article number . After Deposit/transaction the fee slip, email a scanned copy to **pafmj@pafmj.org.** , upload the fee slip to the **Discussion tab on the OJS portal**. and send a hard copy of the fee slip to the PAFMJ Office, C/O Army Medical College, Abid Majeed Road, Rawalpindi-Pakistan **within 3 working days**. It is further intimated that AMC/ADC officers have to pay **Rs. 5,000/-** and the Civil authors` will have to pay **Rs. 10,000/-** as publication charges/fee, if the article is accepted for publication. The publication charges for case report and short communication will be half of the above charges. Research Protocol will be published with the same publication charges as that of case report. (Payable before issuance of acceptance letter).

**Account Details**

**Recipient Name:** PAFMJ-AMC

**Bank Name**: HBL Bank

**Bank Account Number:** PK10HABB 00 24597000012201

**Swift Code:** HABB**PKKA007**

**Postal Code –** 46000

**Fast Track Charges for Acceptance Manuscript:**

* Submission Charges: Rs. **3,000/- (non-refundable)**
* Publication Charges (at the time of issuance of acceptance letter): Rs **20,000/-** **(for all categories)**

**For Overseas:**

* Submission Charges: **USD 10$/- (non-refundable)**
* Publication Charges: **USD 50$/- (at the time of accept submission)**

***Note:*** *The publication fee will not be refunded if the author withdraws the article after the acceptance letter has been issued.*

1. **WORD COUNT AND REFERENCING**

**6.1. FIELD MEDICINE**

It has been decided by the Editorial Board to include articles relating to various aspects of military medicine in the journal. These articles reflect various medical problems faced by the troops deployed in the field or hard areas and the preventive measures to overcome them.

**6.2. SHORT COMMUNICATION**

This includes short communication or brief report of research works, containing new findings. Short communications consists of Title, Abstract (structured - no more than 150 words), Keywords (max. 5), Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, Ethical Consideration, Acknowledgment and References. Short communications should not exceede 2500 words from introduction to references. and should contain no more than 3000 words in total. The number of tables/figures should not exceed 3.

**6.3. REVIEW ARTICLE**

Types of review articles include: Critical Review, Literature Review/Narrative Review, Mapping Review, Meta-analysis, Mixed Study Review, Overview, Systematic Review, Rapid Review, Scoping Review, Systemized Review and Umbrella Review. They should be written by authors considered experts on the subject. Therefore, the corresponding author of the review article must be one of the authors of at least three articles presented in reference section. Summary must have the time period and the databases searched, number of articles selected for review as per ICMJE guidelines. For review articles word count should be in the range of 3000-4000 words (excluding references and abstract) with minimum 30 and maximum 40 references and 3–5 figures or tables.

**6.4. CASE REPORT**

Short report of cases, clinical experience, drug trials or adverse effects may be submitted. They should not exceed 1000 words, 10 bibliographic references and either two concise tables or one figure. The report must contain genuine new information.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**I read and acknowledge that I've completed the requirements below.**

* The submission has not been previously published, nor is it submitted before to another journal for consideration (or an explanation has been provided in Comments to the Editor).
* The study is not incomplete or descriptive observational .
* The manuscript is composed of a SINGLE Microsoft Word file without author identifiers (names of authors or any other clue which may disclose identity of authors to peer reviewers). Manuscript does not include the name/s of supervisor/s , consultant/s of primary place (institute ) of study. The TITLE of the manuscript is written at the top of the first page. The tables and figures are placed at appropriate places WITHIN the text instead of putting them at the end. All manuscripts are typed in double spacing on A-4 paper (8.25” x 11.70” = 21.0 cms x 29.70 cms) white bond paper with one inch (2.5 cms) margin on both sides.
* The manuscript is on the format given in 'Information to Authors' and the references are in Vancouver style with citation numbers as superscript in the manuscript.
* Title page has been prepared in accordance with the specimen given on PAFMJ website.
* Author certificate is duly signed by all authors and Corresponding Author clearly mentioned. (Sequence of authors will not be changed and authors will neither be added nor deleted once the manuscript is submitted to PAFMJ).
* Names of all the authors will be uploaded at the time of submission on metadata
* Approval letter of Institutional Review Board (IRB)/Ethical Review Committee (ERC) has been attached
* The article word count for quantitative study is be in the range 2000 - 2500 words (excluding references and abstract) with at least 18-25 references and 3-5 figures or tables. For qualitative study article word count is between 3000-4000 words (excluding references and abstract) with at least 20-30 references and 3–5 figures or tables.
* All Clinical Trials submitted for publication are registered in a registry. Registration proof is provided.
* All clinical trials are according to CONSORT Guidelines.
* Bank draft/deposit of Pak Rupees 2000/- (non-refundable) has been prepared in the name of PAFMJ-AMC and posted to the following address: Editor PAFMJ C/O Army Medical College, Abid Majeed Road, Rawalpindi (Bearer or Crossed Cheques will NOT be accepted and may cause declination)

**ESSENTIALS TO DO WHILE MAKING THE SUBMISSION**

* **While making submission, all authors (contributions) must be added into the system in pre-decided sequence along with institutional affiliation of each author.**
* **Each key word must be added separately one by one followed by a coma sign (,) instead of 'copy/pasting' all key words simultaneously.**

**FOUR sections to be filled in this document:**

 1. Title page

 2. Author certificate / Checklist.

 3. IRB/ERC approval letter

 4. Copy of bank draft for processing fee (non-refundable)

I**MPORTANT NOTE**

If any of the items found above are missing/not adhered to, the submission will be **DECLINED** automatically by the system. No claims of refund or delay in process will be entertained under such situation.

**TITLE PAGE**

**Article’s Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **1st Author** | **2nd Author** | **3rd Author** | **4th Author** | **5th Author** | **6th Author** |
| **Name** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Designation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Affiliation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Subject Specialty** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Country** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Official****Email** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Mobile No.** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Postal Address** |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Corresponding Author:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Category of Article:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Institutional review board/ethical review committee certificate:** Attached / No-Attached

**Undertaking certificate:** Yes / No

**Processing Fee:** Rs. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Word count of abstract:** 250

**Word count of body of the manuscript:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Number of tables and figures: (**3 to 5) \_\_\_\_\_\_

**References:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Conflict of interest:** Yes / No

**Grant Support & Financial Disclosures:** Yes / No

**AUTHOR'S CERTIFICATE**

(All authors must sign. Please specify one author for correspondence)

**Title of Article:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Article’s Type:** Original Article, Review Article, Short Communication, Case Report

|  |
| --- |
| Dear Sir/Madam, 1. I/We agree to its peer review.
2. **I/We declare that the Authorship Certificate includes the name/s of supervisor/s**.
3. Editorial changes may be made as necessary in editor’s discretion.
4. I/We certify that it is a new manuscript. Subject matter of this paper has not been published, wholly or in part, nor has it been and neither will be submitted for publication elsewhere while it is under consideration of PAFMJ.
5. As the author(s), I/We retain the copyright of the work and hereby grant PAFMJ the exclusive right to publish, reproduce, and distribute the work under the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial License (CC BY-NC).
6. I/We shall abide by the policy and regulations of PAFMJ.
7. I/We shall intimate change of address promptly.
8. I/We declare that I/We have no conflict of interest. (If there is any conflict of interest, please mention in the manuscript)
9. I/We state below in the table that all the authors have made a substantial, (direct, intellectual) contribution to the ICMJE Guidelines. Also state in the table the exact nature of contribution. *((Sample Author Contributions are given below the table)*
10. **I/ We agree to be accountable for all aspects of the work in ensuring that questions related to the accuracy or integrity of any part of the work are appropriately investigated and resolved**
11. **The title of the study can be rephrased at the time of final proof-reading to comply with the new COPE guidelines. However, authors will be informed about the change in the title.**

**Note:*** At submission, authors should disclose whether they used artificial intelligence (AI)-assisted technologies (such as Large Language Models [LLMs], chatbots, or image creators) in the production of submitted work. Authors who use such technology should describe, in both the cover letter and the submitted work in the appropriate section if applicable, how they used it.
* If AI was used for writing assistance, describe this in the acknowledgment section . If AI was used for data collection, analysis, or figure generation, authors should describe this use in the methods
* **It is recommended that all authors be affiliated with the same institute, otherwise evidence should be provided for multi-affiliation or double affiliation**
* **Hand-written Author Certificate is not Acceptable**
 |

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **S.****No.** | **Author Name with Designation** | **Qualification** | **Contribution****(See above****S. No.9)** | **Department / Institution’s Names** | **PASCOM****Civ/ Landline/** **Mob No.** | **Signature with D/M/Y** |
| 1st |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2nd |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3rd |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4th |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5th |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6th |  |  |  |  |  |  |

***Note:*** *Once this certificate is submitted, no change in authorship will be accepted.*

***SAMPLE - AUTHOR’S CONTRIBUTION***

 *Mention all following points in front of each author’s contribution*

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Authors** | **Contribution**  |
| AB | 1. Substantial contributions to study design, acquisition of data
2. Manuscript drafting or reviewing it critical for important intellectual Content
3. Has given final approval of the version to be published
 |
| CD | 1. Substantial contributions to acquisition of data,
2. Manuscript drafting or reviewing it critical for important intellectual Content
3. Has given final approval of the version to be published
 |
| EF | 1. Substantial contributions to analysis and interpretation of data
2. Critical review
3. Has given final approval of the version to be published
 |
| GH | 1. Substantial contributions to concept, study design
2. Critical review
3. Has given final approval of the version to be published
 |

**Anx ‘A’**

**CERTIFICATE**

1. I understand that the Reviewers are not paid for reviewing my article and they are doing this service as an honorary duty, more over the reviewers will complete the review of the article by taking time out of their busy schedules. It is also known to me that there are other articles that have been already accepted and are in line for publication.

2. For the above reasons, I will not pressurize the Editorial Board members of PAFMJ to expedite my article review process to gain the letter of acceptance.

3. However, I shall continue to keep a track of my article to find out if there are any problems in my article or otherwise with regards to reviewing / publications / statistics that need by attention.

5. I shall keep the PAFMJ Pub Cell informed and updated whenever my Official

email/postal address/ unit/departmental address or mobile numbers are changed.

6. If I do not intend to publish in PAFMJ. I shall immediately inform the Editorial Board members of my intention through phone call/e-mail and post a letter to PAFMJ Publication Cell, documenting that I do not intend to publish my article in PAFMJ.

**Address of Corresponding Author:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mobile No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Official Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHOR’S CHECKLIST**

To be filled and submitted by the Corresponding Author at the time of article submission

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **S. No.** | **Nomenclature** | **Yes/No** |
| 1. | Abstract Word Count mentioned (Count \_\_\_\_\_250\_\_\_\_\_) |  |
| 2. | Article Word Count Mentioned (Count\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) Excluding references |  |
| 3. | Submission of the article to any other journal (Yes, No) |  |
| 4. | Short Running Title \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
| 5. | Institution Review Board/Ethical Review Committee Certificate attached [setting(s) (where study has been conducted] |  |
| 6. | Author’s certificate with detailed contribution, signatures, official emails, affiliations and cell numbers of all the authors is attached (Authors names in order as agreed by the authors) |  |
| 7. | Conflict of interest must be mentioned in the article |  |
| 8. | Acknowledgement (if any) mentioned in the article |  |
| 9. | Disclosure (if any) mentioning presentation of the article in any conference, seminar, symposium before submission to PAFMJ |  |
| 10. | Funding source (must be mentioned) |  |
| 11. | Abstract according to Author’s Guidelines |  |
| 12. | Manuscript structured according to the Journal’s Guidelines |  |
| 13. | Total no. of figures and tables \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_  |  |
| 14. | Processing charges Rs. 2000/- through Online Transfer/Bank Deposit payable in the favor of PAFMJ-AMC account. |  |
| 15. | References in Vancouver style |  |
|  | (References mentioned as 1, 2, 3 and so on as they appear in the text and as superscript not by full names of authors. At the end of the manuscript the references should also be numbered accordingly. DOI number of those references where it is available)PAFMJ follows Index Medicus style for referencing and abbreviated journal names according to the list of Journals indexed in Index Medicus. |  |

Signatures by the Corresponding Author:- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**ERC / IRB Certificate to be pasted here**

**Processing Fee to be pasted here**