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Maximum length: 5000 words of text (including abstract, tables, figures, and references) with no more than a total of six tables and/or figures and 50 references.

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Manuscript must be structured as: Title; Abstract; Keywords; Introduction; Patients and Methods; Results and Discussion; Conclusion; Acknowledgements and References submitted in a file with limited size.

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The first page of the manuscript includes the title (capitalize only the first letter) of the article, followed by one-line space and the names of all authors (no degrees) and their addresses for correspondence, including the e-mail address of the corresponding author.

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An abstract of up to 400 words that sketches the purpose of the study; basic procedures; main findings; discussions and the principal conclusions, should not contain any undefined abbreviations or references.

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Provide 3 to 5 keywords which can be used for indexing purposes. Keywords should be written in alphabetical order as separated by semicolon.

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Describes briefly the background of the investigation with updated information and states the aim of the study.

* Patients and Methods

Provide sufficient details to enable the research to be reproduced. Support the techniques and methods used with references. Investigations on patients must comply with institutional and/or equivalent ethical committee guidelines. In the absence of such committee, the Declaration of Helsinki guidelines must be followed and be clearly stated. All studies on human subjects must include a statement that the subjects gave informed consent. Full details of the patients and the tests used should be added. Metric and standard international units should be used in this section and throughout the manuscript. Specify the computer software used for statistical analysis and define statistical terms, abbreviations, and symbols applied.

* Results

Present the results and their significance clearly. Graphs and tables should be self-explanatory. Do not repeat in figures or in the text the data presented in tables. Tables and figures should be numbered in the order of their mention in the text.

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Tables and graphs are not provided as an image but must be added in an adjustable form. Tables must be set within the text and must have a clear structure with consecutive numerical order. All tables must be numbered (1, 2, 3, etc.). Adequate information must be added in the title of the figures and tables so that each table is understandable without the need to refer to the text. An explanation of the table (title) explaining the components of the table is added. The footnotes for tables should be indicated in lower case (or asterisks for significance values and other statistical data) and inserted below the text of the table

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Any symbol and abbreviations used in the table body must be defined in a footnote to the table.

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The figures / illustrations must be of high quality

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Deals with critical review and interpretations of the results, and supported by relevant updated references. Repetition of data should be avoided.

* Conclusions

This section should highlight the major, firm discoveries, and state what the added value of the main finding is, without literature references.

* Recommendations

Write brief evident recommendations based on the results of the current study.

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Acknowledgments of people, grants, funds, etc. should be placed in a separate section after the recommendations. The names of funding organizations should be written in full. Financial support affiliation of the study, if exists, must be mentioned in this section. Thereby, the Grant number of financial supports must be included.

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