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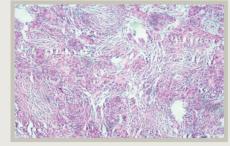


Figure 1A. Grade 1 meningothelial meningioma consisting of atypical meningothelial cells forming whorl structures

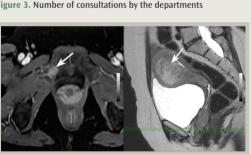


Figure 3. The left side of the picture shows bone metastasis in the right pubic bone. The right side of the picture shows endometrioid carcinoma in the uterus

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#### c. Keywords

A list of minimum 4, but no more than 6 keywords must follow the abstract. Keywords in English should be consistent with "Medical Subject Headings (MESH)".

#### d. Original Article

The instructions in general guidelines should be followed. The main headings of the text should include "Introduction, Material and Methods, Results, Discussion, Study Limitations and Conclusion". The introduction should include the rationale and the background of the study. The results of the study should not be discussed in this part. "Materials and methods" section should be presented in sufficient details to permit the repetition of the work. The statistical methods used should be clearly indicated. Results should also be given in detail to allow the reproduction of the study. The Discussion section should provide a correct and thorough interpretation of the results with the relevant literature. The results should not be repeated in the Discussion Part. The references should be directly related to the findings of the authors. Study Limitation should be detailed in the section. The conclusion section should be highlighted and interpreted with the study's new and important findings.

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Original Articles should be no longer than 3500 words and include no more than 6 tables and 7 or a total of 15 figures and 40 references. The abstract word limit must be 250.

#### Introduction

The article should begin with a brief introduction stating why the study was undertaken within the context of previous reports.

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The Discussion should focus on the interpretation and significance of the findings with concise and objective comments that describe their relation to other work in that area and contain study limitations.

#### **Study Limitations**

Limitations of the study should be detailed. In addition, an evaluation of the implications of the obtained findings/results for future research should be outlined.

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The conclusion of the study should be highlighted.

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The reference list should be typed on a separate page at the end of the manuscript. Both in-text citations and references must be prepared according to the Vancouver style. Accuracy of reference data is the author's responsibility. While citing publications, preference should be given to the latest, most up-to-date references. The DOI number should be provided for citation of ahead-of-print publication, Journal titles should be abbreviated in accordance with the journal abbreviations in Index Medicus/MEDLINE/PubMed. All authors should be listed in the presence of six or fewer authors. If there are seven or more authors, the first three authors should be listed, followed by "et al." References should be cited in text, tables, and figures should be cited as open source (1,2,3,4) in parenthesis numbers in parentheses. References should be numbered consecutively according to the order in which they first appear in the text. The reference styles for different types of publications are presented as follows:

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Getzen TE. Health economics: fundamentals of funds. New York: John Wiley & Sons; 1997.

iii) Chapter of a Book

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Porter RJ, Meldrum BS. Antiepileptic drugs. In: Katzung BG, editor. Basic and clinical pharmacology. 6th ed. Norwalk, CN: Appleton and Lange; 1995. p. 361-380.

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- v) Journal on the Internet: Morse SS. Factors in the emergence of infectious disease. Emerg Infect Dis [serial online] 1995 1(1):[24 screens]. Available from:s URL:http://www/cdc/gov/ncidoc/EID/eid.htm. Accessed December 25, 1999.
- vi) Thesis: Kaplan SI. Post-hospital home health care: the elderly access and utilization (thesis). St. Louis (MO): Washington Univ; 1995.



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#### f. Tables, Graphics, Figures, Pictures, Video:

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The entire text should not exceed 25 pages (A4, formatted as specified above).

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Case reports should present important and rare clinical experiences. It must provide novel and/or rare clinical data or new insights to the literature. Case reports should consist of an unstructured abstract (maximum 150 words) that summarizes the case. They should consist of the following parts: introduction, case report, discussion. Informed consent or signed releases from the patient or legal representative should be obtained and stated in the manuscript.

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Diagnostic puzzles report unusual cases that make an educational point. Since the aim of these articles is to stimulate the reader to think about the case, the title should be ambiguous and not give away the final diagnosis immediately. Diagnostic puzzles should include an introduction and answer part. The introduction part should include a brief clinical introduction to a case (maximum 250 words) followed by an image and a question designed to stimulate the reader to think about what the image shows. The legend should not indicate the diagnosis but should simply describe the nature of the image. Then, the answer part should appear later (maximum 250 words) outlines a brief description of the key diagnostic features of the image, the outcome, and a teaching point.

Diagnostic puzzles will not include more than 5 references. The quality of the image must be at least 300dpi and in TIFF, JPEG, GIF or EPS format. Videos are also welcome and should be in .mov, .avi, or .mpeg format.

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#### Letters to the Editor

This section welcomes manuscripts that discuss important parts, overlooked aspects, or lacking parts of a previously published article in this journal. In addition, articles on subjects within the scope of the journal that might have an attraction including educative cases, may also be submitted in the form of a "Letter to the Editor." The manuscripts for this section should be written in an unstructured text including references. The editor may request responses to the letters. There are no separate sections in the text.

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Review	5000	250	60	6	10 or total of 20 images
Case Report	1000	150	20	200	10 or total of 20 images
Letter to the Editor	500	No Abstract		No tables	No media
Video Article	500		5		
Diagnostic Puzzle	250 (as a brief clinical introduction		5		
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