

Author Declaration Template – Animal Research Studies

(1) Ethics approval

- (i) Ethical approval for this study was obtained from *NAME OF ETHICS COMMITTEE OR INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD (APPROVAL NUMBER/ID)*.

Or

- (ii) Ethical approval for this study was waived by *NAME OF ETHICS COMMITTEE OR INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD* because *REASON FOR WAIVER*.

Or

- (iii) Ethical approval was not sought for the present study because *REASON*.

(2) Animal welfare

- (i) The present study followed international, national, and/or institutional guidelines for humane animal treatment and complied with relevant legislation from *NAME OF INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD OR NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINE*.

Or

- (ii) Guidelines for humane animal treatment did not apply to the present study because *REASON*.

Or

- (iii) This research did not involve the use of animals.

(3) Conflict of interest

- (i) *LIST OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR ALL AUTHORS. Conflicts of interest may include but are not limited to: receiving honoraria; travel grants, employment, consultancies, stock ownership, or other equity interest; or personal or professional relationships, or affiliations that could influence the research.*

Or

- (ii) The Author(s) declare(s) that there are no conflicts of interest.

(4) Funding

- (i) *LIST OF FUNDING INFORMATION*.

Or

- (ii) This research received no specific grant from any funding agency in the public, commercial, or not-for-profit sectors.

Author Declaration Template – Case Reports and Case Series

(1) Ethics approval

- (i) Ethical approval to report this case was obtained from *NAME OF ETHICS COMMITTEE OR INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD (APPROVAL NUMBER/ID)*.

Or

- (i) Ethical approval to report this case series was obtained from *NAME OF ETHICS COMMITTEE OR INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD (APPROVAL NUMBER/ID)*.

Or

- (ii) Our institution does not require ethics approval for reporting individual cases or case series.

(2) Informed consent

- (i) Written informed consent was obtained for anonymized patient information to be published in this article.

Or

- (ii) Verbal informed consent was obtained for anonymized patient information to be published in this article.

Or

- (iii) Informed consent for patient information to be published in this article was not obtained because *REASON*.

(3) Conflict of interest

- (iii) *LIST OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST FOR ALL AUTHORS*.

Or

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Author Declaration Template – Reviews, In Vitro Studies, and Survey-based Studies

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Or

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(2) Funding

(i) *LIST OF FUNDING INFORMATION*.

Or

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(3) Ethical Approval

(i) The IRB determined that the protocol is considered exempt because *REASON* on *DATE*.

Or

(ii) This research was completed at *LOCATION* and did not require IRB approval.