# **Aerospace Medicine and Human Performance (AMHP)**

### **Case Report Guidance**

Case Reports describe interesting or unusual clinical cases, aeromedical events, or unusual incidents related to the conditions that can occur during flight, in space, undersea, and other environmental conditions. They should include a short Introduction to provide perspective, details of the Case, and Discussion that includes reference to pertinent literature. Such manuscripts should not exceed 3,000 words with approximately 12 references and a combined total of four Tables/Figures.

A basic Case Report Template appears on the following pages. This template was constructed using the AMHP Instructions for Authors that can be accessed via our website (<u>http://www.editorialmanager.com/amhp/</u>)

The checklist below can help avoid common errors:

- 1) <u>Entire</u> manuscript is double-spaced.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ Page numbers appear in the right upper corner of every page.
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ All text is left margin justified (not full).
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ Font size is 10 or 12 pt.
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ Placement of figures and tables is properly referenced in the text.
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_ References are all in the proper format.
- 7) \_\_\_\_\_ Graphics adhere to digital art guidelines.

Title of Case Report\*

First author, two highest degrees<sup>1</sup>

Second author (if needed), two highest degrees<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>First author's affiliation with city, state, and country

<sup>2</sup>Second author's affiliation with city, state, and country

Additional Authors, see note below

\* Title may be no longer than 100 characters and spaces. It should not be in the form of a questions, contain the names of nations or organizations, or be assertive in nature. Title should contain key words that enable the reader to find it when searching for it online

Additional Authors note: add additional authors as necessary. Please adhere to the instructions for authors found at <u>www.editorialmanager.com/amhp</u>. Please justify seven or more authors explicitly in your cover letter.

Word count (abstract): limited to 250 Word count (main text): limited to 3,000 Number of references: limited to 12 Number of tables: tables and figures combined limited to 4 Number of figures: tables and figures combined limited to 4

#### Abstract

All Case Report abstracts should include three labeled sections: background, case report, and discussion.

<u>Background:</u> Provide some context here about the case report that will be in this paper. Have there been any previous cases like it? Why is the case potentially important to the aeromedical community? <u>Case Report:</u> Briefly describe the case here giving enough detail for the reader to get a good sense about any symptoms, diagnoses, treatments, and outcomes. <u>Discussion:</u> What was learned from this case? Does the case raise any future concerns? How does the case fit in with any existing literature that is related to the case? Make recommendations here, if applicable, keeping in mind that the results of a case report might not be generalizable. Key Words: place several key words here (words that are in the title need not be included. They will automatically be used for indexing purposes.

#### Introduction

The Introduction section begins here and should be labeled. Include any historical background related to the case. Also, briefly review any literature closely related to the case. The Introduction should be long enough to sufficiently 'set up' the Case Report that will follow, but should not be overly detailed. Generally, several paragraphs will be needed but the Introduction should rarely be longer than 1,000 words.

#### Case Report

The details of the case should be presented here. It should include an adequately detailed and pertinent history (symptoms and a chronological description of events). It should also include physical examination information (objectively identifiable signs). The patient should be described as thoroughly as possible including age, gender, occupation, and any pre-existing conditions. Pertinent positive and normal tests and results should be described here as well as any performed procedures. Diagnoses, treatments, and outcomes should also be described.

#### Discussion

Describe here what you think can be learned from this case and why the case is important. Be careful not to make conclusions that are too strong in the Discussion section. Also address how the outcomes of the case compare with other similar cases, if any exist. Connect the case to relevant existing literature as much as possible. End the discussions with any recommendations that can be made. The case you are reporting may be interesting and potentially important, but keep in mind that without a carefully designed study, cause and effect relationships cannot be concluded. Therefore, further research might be suggested with the understanding that case reports are limited; results cannot be generalized.

#### References

References always start on a new page. They must be alphabetized and double-spaced. For a complete reference style guide please go to the main page of our website:

<u>https://www.editorialmanager.com/amhp</u>. Two examples are given below; one for more than six authors and one for fewer than six authors.

(1) Goate AM, Haynes AR, Owen MJ, Farrall M, James LA, Lai LY, et al. Predisposing locus

for Alzheimer's disease on chromosome 21. Lancet 1989; 1:352–5.

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syndrome. J Nephrol 2007; 20:103-6.

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## **Figure Captions**

Figure 1- A line drawing showing the location of the XXXXX on the patient's XXXXX.

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