

Clinical Neuro Pathological Conference (CNPCs) Article Specifications

Manuscript	Authors	
Clinical Neuro Pathological Conference ARTICLE	Publication Format	Effective 2013 - In Print and Online as per discretion of Editor-in-Chief.
	Print Specifications	Effective 2013 - Space dependent.
	Media Clip Specifications	Submitted Manuscripts, containing Media Clips to be considered for online publication are to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Manuscript <input type="checkbox"/> Media Clip <input type="checkbox"/> Title of Media Clip <input type="checkbox"/> Legend for Media Clip <input type="checkbox"/> Size of Media Clip (maximum file size for upload is 10 MB) <input type="checkbox"/> Viewing Length of Media Clip (maximum view time is 12 minutes) <input type="checkbox"/> Patient Release For media clips that involve patients, provide documentation within your cover letter showing informed consent for the taping and display of the clip in an online format.
	Page Specifications	Up to 18 journal pages (54 Double-spaced manuscript pages) maximum (including references).
	Abstract Required	No.
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	Word Specifications	NA
	No. of References	15 maximum suggested for references.
	Characteristic of a strong manuscript	In addition to adhering to the Media Clip Specifications and the General and Specific Manuscript Specifications, a strong CNPC is one that presents a thoroughly investigated and coherent case for discussion by an expert in the field whose discussion gives insight into their diagnostic approach. The CNPC concludes with a clear diagnosis, substantiated by thorough pathological analysis and a brief review of the topic. CPNCs are to include: Educational Goals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> General approach to differential diagnosis and use of Laboratory tests <input type="checkbox"/> Specific review of subject / diagnostic realm by practicing specialist <input type="checkbox"/> Authors are reminded that while cases may be diagnostically challenging, the primary purpose of the CNPC is to educate the reader rather than challenge the discussant Case Selection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Discussants must not have knowledge of the patient under discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Cases should have clear and practical learning opportunities <input type="checkbox"/> Rare entities or cases where the final diagnosis is uncertain may not be suitable Process and Formatting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ideally, cases should be presented and discussed at a

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		<p>multidisciplinary rounds. Alternatively, Discussants may be conscripted outside this setting and the dialogue between presenter and discussant may be purely electronic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Discussants should be furnished with a case summary that describes the salient features of the case without divulging the final diagnosis. The discussant is encouraged before and during the consultation to ask questions of clarification as needed. <p>Sections:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presenter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> history of the presenting illness, past medical history and physical examination 2. Discussant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> initial impressions, management and diagnostic test suggestions <input type="checkbox"/> initial differential diagnosis 3. Presenter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> management followup and results of diagnostic tests 4. Discussant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> refined impressions, further management and diagnostic test suggestions <input type="checkbox"/> refined differential diagnosis 5. Presenter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> case conclusion 6. Discussant: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> final observations and concluding remarks <input type="checkbox"/> final diagnosis of differential diagnosis 7. Presenter/Pathologist: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> final diagnosis <input type="checkbox"/> Pathological findings and correlations <input type="checkbox"/> review of subject (focusing on diagnostic approach) 8. Optional concluding remarks by Discussant
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¹ If manuscript approved for formal review, to minimize review timelines, Associate Editor *must send* Editorial Coordinator a minimum of 6 reviewer names.

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