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- ✓ The corresponding author typically ensures that all the journal's administrative requirements, such as providing details of authorship, ethics committee



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Note:

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research group or general administrative support; and writing assistance, technical editing, language editing, and proofreading.

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| PART 1: Author Contribut | ions |

Table 1. Authors detailed contributions

Conceptualization

- 1) Substantial contributions to conception and design, or acquisition of data, or analysis and interpretation of data.
- 2) Drafting the article or revising it critically for important intellectual content.
- 3) Final approval of the version to be published.

Conditions 1, 2, and 3 must all be met. Acquisition of funding, the collection of data, or general supervision of the research group, by themselves, do not justify authorship. *

| -Contributor Role** | PI author | Author | Author | Author | Author | total |
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| Conceptualization | | | | | | |
| Data Curation | | | | | | |
| Formal Analysis | | | | | | |
| Funding Acquisition | | | | | | |
| Investigation | | | | | | |
| Methodology | | | | | | |
| Project | | | | | | |
| Administration | | | | | | |
| Resources | | | | | | |
| Software | | | | | | |
| Supervision | | | | | | |
| Validation | | | | | | |
| Visualization | | | | | | |
| Writing – Original | | | | | | |
| Draft Preparation | | | | | | |
| Writing – Review & | | | | | | |
| Editing | | | | | | |
| Contributor Role** | Role Definition | | | | | |

Ideas; formulation or evolution of overarching research goals and aims.



| Data Curation | Management activities to annotate (produce metadata), scrub data and |
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| Data Curation | |
| | maintain research data (including software code, where it is necessary for |
| | interpreting the data itself) for initial use and later reuse. |
| Formal Analysis | Application of statistical, mathematical, computational, or other formal |
| | techniques to analyze or synthesize study data. |
| Funding Acquisition | Acquisition of the financial support for the project leading to this publication. |
| Investigation | Conducting a research and investigation process, specifically performing the |
| | experiments, or data/evidence collection. |
| Methodology | Development or design of methodology; creation of models |
| Project | Management and coordination responsibility for the research activity |
| Administration | planning and execution. |
| Resources | Provision of study materials, reagents, materials, patients, laboratory |
| | samples, animals, instrumentation, computing resources, or other analysis |
| | tools. |
| Software | Programming, software development; designing computer programs; |
| | implementation of the computer code and supporting algorithms; testing of |
| | existing code components. |
| Supervision | Oversight and leadership responsibility for the research activity planning and |
| | execution, including mentorship external to the core team. |
| Validation | Verification, whether as a part of the activity or separate, of the overall |
| | replication/reproducibility of results/experiments and other research |
| | outputs. |
| Visualization | Preparation, creation and/or presentation of the published work, specifically |
| | visualization/data presentation. |
| Writing-Original | Creation and/or presentation of the published work, specifically writing the |
| Draft Preparation | initial draft (including substantive translation). |
| Writing – Review & | Preparation, creation and/or presentation of the published work by those |
| Editing | from the original research group, specifically critical review, commentary or |
| | revision – including pre- or post-publication stages. |
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**CRediT Taxonomy



- The ICMJE guidelines state that the order of authorship, should be 'a joint decision of the co-authors. Authors should be prepared to explain the order in which authors are listed'. This must be clear to the editor of the journal.
- Follow instructions of the target journal, if any.

| Table 2. Author Contributions | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----|----------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Authorship %: | PI | Author | Author | Author | Author | total |
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| on substantial | | | | | | |
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| design, or analysis | | | | | | |
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| Total | % | % | % | % | % | 100 |

Author with the highest % is considered the first author

Based on table 2, the authors order will be as follows:

| Table 3. Order of authors | | | | | | |
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| #Ordering model type | | | | | | |
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Your signature indicates your approval of authors order



#Authors credit system will be followed according to the journal instructions. If not available, there are 4 main types. (1) The "sequence-determines-credit" approach (SDC). The sequence of authors should reflect the declining importance of their contribution, as suggested by previous authors. (2) The "equal contribution" norm (EC). Authors use alphabetical sequence to acknowledge similar contributions or to avoid disharmony in collaborating groups. (3) The "first-last-author-emphasis" norm (FLAE). (4) The "percent-contribution-indicated" approach (PCI). There is a trend to detail each author's contribution (following requests of several journals). This should also be used to establish the quantified credit.

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