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- ▶ Original articles
- ▶ Reviews
- ▶ Short communications
- ▶ Case reports or Case series
- ▶ Letters to the editor/Letter replies

Table 1 Manuscript types and their properties.

	Original article	Review	Case report/series	Short Communication
Description	Clinical or experimental study	Comprehensive survey of a topic	Case series comprise 3 to 10 cases	New and special techniques
Length	4–7	5–10	1–3	1–4
Including figures*, but not Reference list	printed pages (2,800–5,600 words)	printed pages (3,500–7,000 words)	printed pages (700–2,100 words)	printed pages (700–2,800 words)
References	max. 30	max. 50	max. 10	max. 15

* 1 image corresponds to approximately 140 words

Original articles and short communications

Original articles:

Present results of original research, clinical studies or technical studies and should contain the following sections:

- ▶ Title (concise but informative)
- ▶ Structured abstract: (background/study aim, patients/materials and methods, results and conclusion, should contain all relevant statistical data of the results)
- ▶ Introduction: Background and aim of study
- ▶ Patients/materials and methods: outline of methods shall be given. In case of clinical studies the design must be stated (e.g. prospective, randomized, cohort, etc.) and the method and details of patient enrolment must be indicated.
- ▶ Results: Tables, figures or video clips may be used when they contribute to a better understanding of the results
- ▶ Discussion/conclusion: discussion and interpretation of the results. The conclusion should summarize the most important insights.
- ▶ Figure legends and tables
- ▶ Reference list (Literature references should be numbered according to the order in which they are cited in the text (i.e. not in alphabetical order). The reference numbers appear in square brackets in the text. Only references mentioned in the text are listed. References are cited according to the format below).
- ▶ Key words: 3–6 key words (preferably without repeating words in the title).

Short communications:

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References

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Publications available only online (Epub only or Epub ahead of print)	Rygl M, Novotna J, Herget J et al. Parameters of healing in approximative intestinal anastomosis. <i>Eur J Pediatr Surg</i> ; DOI: 10.1055/s-2008-1039010 or Epub 2009 Feb 16
Books	Vaccaro AR, Albert TJ. <i>Spine surgery</i> . 2nd ed. Stuttgart: Thieme; 2009

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