



MEDICC Review Peer Review Feedback Form

Manuscript Title_____

Peer Reviewer_____

1. The central issue the paper addresses is:

- ☐ Clearly and immediately identified
- ☐ Not described in terms of its origin, scale or importance
- ☐ Not identified

2. The specific purpose of the research is:

- ☐ Clearly and immediately defined
- ☐ Imprecisely defined
- ☐ Not distinguished from the central issue
- ☐ Other, please explain: _____

3. The literature review/background:

- ☐ Examines the most important and recently published work on the topic
- ☐ Is not current or sufficient
- ☐ Other, please explain: _____

4. The objectives and hypothesis of the work are:

- ☐ Clear, precise, measurable and feasible
- ☐ Too general, vague or ambiguous
- ☐ Other, please explain: _____

5. The study design is:

- ☐ Appropriate for the declared objective
- ☐ Inadequate
- ☐ Not sufficiently described
- ☐ Other, please explain: _____

6. The methods and techniques are:

- ☐ Appropriate and applicable
 - ☐ Not appropriate or applicable
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
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7. The materials and methods data is:

- ☐ Sufficient to replicate the study
 - ☐ Insufficient
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
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8. The statistical methods are:

- ☐ Appropriate for the type of variables used and answers the proposed hypothesis
 - ☐ Inadequate
 - ☐ Not described in sufficient detail
 - ☐ Not described
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
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9. The results:

- ☐ Are germane to the study's objectives
 - ☐ Are not germane
 - ☐ Include sufficient details to justify the conclusions
 - ☐ Are insufficient
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
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10. The tables and figures:

- ☐ Are acceptable **and** appropriate
 - ☐ Do not present and interpret the data with sufficient clarity
 - ☐ Are redundant (repeat rather than complement information in the text)
 - ☐ Graphic, table or figure number ____ can be eliminated
 - ☐ Graphic +/- table +/- figure number ____ and ____ can be combined
 - ☐ It's advisable to add a graphic/table to illustrate _____
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11. The discussion:

- ☐ Interprets the results correctly in terms of significance and limitations
 - ☐ Does not interpret the results
 - ☐ Suffers from important omissions
 - ☐ Contains too many generalizations
 - ☐ Repeats the results
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
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12. The conclusion:

- ☐ Supports the findings
 - ☐ Is unjustified because it is not supported by the results
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
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13. The bibliography:

- ☐ Is sufficient and appropriate
 - ☐ Is insufficient
 - ☐ Is not current
 - ☐ Does not mention key references such as: _____
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14. The information in the manuscript:

- ☐ Is new and makes a valuable contribution to the field
- ☐ Repeats already published or known results
- ☐ Includes irrelevant material

15. The title:

- ☐ Is concise and informative
 - ☐ Should be modified; for instance: _____
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16. The abstract:

- ☐ Clearly summarizes objectives, the research context and study design, methods, key results and major conclusions.
 - ☐ Is incomplete and should be rewritten to include: _____
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17. The structure is:

- ☐ Appropriate
- ☐ Inappropriate and should be changed
- ☐ Other, please explain: _____

18. The style is:

- ☐ Appropriate, clear, concise and logical
 - ☐ Simplistic, unclear +/- deficient
 - ☐ Redundant and should be condensed
 - ☐ Excessively wordy
 - ☐ Other, please explain: _____
- _____

19. The manuscript is:

- ☐ Excellent, recommended without reservations
- ☐ Good, generally meets MR criteria and deserves serious consideration
- ☐ Fair, has major flaws but topic deserves consideration
- ☐ Bad, poorly written, inappropriate

20. **RECOMMENDATION** - The manuscript:

- ☐ Should be considered for publication
 - ☐ Should be rejected for the following main reasons: _____
- _____

- ☐ The author should consider publishing in a different journal, such as: _____
- _____

- ☐ Should be published with minor revisions. Please explain in detail: _____
- _____
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- ☐ Should be published with major revisions. Please explain in detail: _____
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21. OTHER COMMENTS:

☐ I, _____, declare that I do not have any real or potential conflict of interest that could bias my review of this manuscript.