INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS

Croatian Sports Medicine Journal is conceived as a journal published for all with interest in sports medicine.

The journal publishes Editorials, Original articles, Professional papers, Reviews, Case reports, Clinical trials or diagnostics, preliminary communications, Commentaries, News, Letters to the Editor, Book Reviews, From Literature, Reports of Scientific meetings and other contributions on condition that they have not been previously published elsewhere. The articles should be written in Croatian or English.

Manuscripts should be sent by registered mail to: Uredništvo Hrvatskog Športskomedicinskog Vjesnika, Kineziološki fakultet, Horvaćanski zavoj 15, 10000 Zagreb or e-mailed to hsmv@kif.hr

Two copies of each manuscript should be submitted on a CD or a diskette. For tables and figures, one of the copies may be a photocopy of the original. The author is advised to retain a copy for reference. The manuscript should be typed double-spaced with a 3-cm left margin (font Times New Roman, font 12). Each manuscript component should begin on a new page, in the following sequence: title page, summary, text, references, tables, illustrations, author's address, acknowledgements and necessary footnotes.

TITLE PAGE

The title page should include only the active title (in Croatian and English), author's names and address of institution(s) in which the work was done, and name and address of author responsible for correspondence about the manuscript.

SUMMARY

The second page should carry a summary consisting of 200-400 words describing the purpose, methods, results, and conclusions of the study. Below the summary provide 2-5 key words that will assist in prompt identification and classification of paper contents. The summary and key words must be written in both Croatian and English.

TEXT

The text of articles is usually but not necessary divided into sections: Introduction, Subjects And Methods, Results, Discussion; Conclusions and References. Sections Results and Discussion may be joined if required for better understanding the manuscript.

TABLES

Tables should be typed neatly, each on a separate sheet, with the title above (in both Croatian and English) and any notes below. Number tables consecutively in order of their first citation in the text. Explain all abbreviations. Identify each table on the back with the first author's name and the title of the article.

ILLUSTRATIONS

Illustrations should be numbered in the order in which they appear in the text. Legend should be provided in both Croatian and English, typed on a separate sheet. Illustrations should be submitted as black and white

glossy photographs or as drawings. Photocopies of figures or drawings will be accepted only with the duplicate of the manuscript. Identify each figure or drawing on the back with the first author's name, the title of the article, the figure number, and with an arrow indicating the top. For figures, tables or drawings published elsewhere, a written permission to reproduce must be obtained from the author and publisher.

AUTHORS

The academic degrees and specialties, and the exact name and address of the institution should be provided for all authors on a separate sheet.

REFERENCES

References must be typed on a separate sheet and numbered alphabetically. They should be cited in the text by superscript. Journal titles should be abbreviated according to Index Medicus. All authors should be listed, unless there are more than six, when only the first three should be given followed by: et al.

EXAMPLES

Journal Article

Ivković A, Bojanić I, Pećina M. Stress fractures of the femoral shaft in athletes: a new treatment algorithm. Br J SportsMed 2006; 40: 518-20.

Book

Authors

Ruszowski I. Normalan i poremećen hod čovjeka. Zagreb: JUMENA, 1981; 17-29.

Editor

Sprague NF III, ur. Complications in Arthroscopy. New York: Raven Press, 1989; 53-72.

Chapter in a book

Pećina M. Ozljede tetive i tetivnih ovojnica. U: Medved R, ur. Sportska medicina. Zagreb: JUMENA, 1987; 628-35.

Book of Abstracts

Nachemson AL. Etiology and natural history of scoliosis, U: Pećina M, ur. Scoliosis and Kyphosis, Zagreb SN Liber, 1983; 11-3.

Thesis

Kolačko J. Biomehanička podloga operativnog liječenja nestabilnosti patele. Zagreb: Medicinski fakultet. 1981; 334. Magistarski rad.

Submitted manuscripts will be sent anonymously to two experts for review. Should the reviewers suggest alternations or request amendments, a copy of the review without the reviewer's name will be sent to the author for the approval.

Accepted manuscripts will not be returned and copyright in all published contributions shall be transferred and assigned to Croatian Sports Medicine Journal.

The Editorial Board is under no obligation to publish submitted manuscripts in receiving order. Those authors submitting a manuscript bear full responsibility for statements and opinions contained therein.