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EDITORIAL POLICY

Farmacia Hospitalaria (Farm Hosp) is the official scientific publication of the Spanish Society of Hospital Pharmacy (SEFH). It publishes articles on pharmacotherapy and the professional development of the specialty it represents.

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All manuscripts will be reviewed by the journal's editorial board and will undergo a standardized double-blind peer review process conducted by experts selected by the editorial committee.

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Farm Hosp was among the founding journals of the Granada Group, now known as the International Collaboration of Pharmacy Journal Editors (ICPJE). It adheres to the recommendations of the *Granada Declaration: Improving the quality of publications in and advancing the paradigms of clinical and social pharmacy practice research: The Granada Statements* (published in *Farm Hosp*). These journals publish high-quality, peer-reviewed content in health services research related to the medication-use process. This includes, but is not limited to, prescribing, preparation, dispensing, administration, adherence, evaluation, follow-up, and outcomes related to both prescription and over-the-counter medications. They promote the concept of pharmaceutical care aimed at optimizing medication use to achieve public health and patient-centered goals. This process encompasses attitudes, perspectives, knowledge, and behaviours of all actors involved, including prescribers, pharmacists, pharmacy staff, other healthcare professionals, patients, and caregivers. Although these journals often include "pharmacy" in their title or description, they welcome research involving any stakeholder in the medication-use process, as well as evaluations of medications themselves or systems used to optimize their use. While the journals share common goals, each occupies a distinct niche and is best suited for specific types of manuscripts.

EDITORIAL PROCESS

Manuscripts submitted for consideration in *Farm Hosp* must be uploaded through the journal's electronic submission system: www.editorial-manager.com/farma/default.aspx. Submission instructions are detailed in the [corresponding section of these guidelines](#). If the manuscript does not comply with the specific requirements for its article type, it will be returned to the authors for modification before entering the editorial process.

Once the manuscript meets the journal's editorial standards and is considered suitable for evaluation by the editorial leadership of *Farm Hosp*, it will be assigned to an Editor, who will appoint peer reviewers and initiate the peer review process. The Editor-in-Chief or any handling editor reserves the right to reject a manuscript before the peer review begins. Upon submission, the authors will receive an email with a reference number, which must be used in all communications with the editorial office and can be used to track the manuscript's status via the "Current Status" section in the author's account.

After undergoing the standardized double-blind peer review process (by experts designated by the editorial board), the Editor will send the anonymous reviewers' reports to the authors, together with a decision: acceptance, rejection, reconsideration with minor revisions, or reconsideration with major

revisions.

If revisions are requested, authors must submit a revised version of the manuscript with all changes clearly highlighted, along with a response letter addressing each of the reviewers' and editor's comments. If the authors disagree with any comment, they may provide a reasoned explanation in the response letter. If necessary, the revised manuscript will undergo a second round of review before a final editorial decision is made.

If the manuscript is deemed suitable for publication, acceptance will be confirmed. The editorial board reserves the right to reject manuscripts that are not considered appropriate, and to suggest any modifications they deem necessary. In all cases, the editorial board's decision is final.

Once the manuscript is accepted, the production process begins with the creation of a PDF proof in the original language of submission. This proof is sent to the corresponding author by email for review and correction via the journal's editorial platform. After the author approves the proof, it is reviewed by the editor, and upon final approval, the article is published online as an "ahead of print" version. The translation into the complementary language (Spanish or English) is then processed, following the same steps as the original version. Finally, the article is assigned to a specific issue of *Farm Hosp* according to editorial planning and scheduling.

ARTICLE TYPES AND LENGTH

Farm Hosp publishes the following types of articles:

Editorial. Editorials may be scientific or opinion pieces. They may include commentary on original articles published in the same issue, on current topics in hospital pharmacy or therapeutics in general, or on subjects that have recently generated debate. Editorials are typically commissioned by the editorial board, although authors may also submit proposals for consideration. In such cases, prior consultation with the editorial office is recommended.

Original. Reports of quantitative or qualitative research on any aspect of pharmacotherapy or the professional development of hospital pharmacy.

Brief Original. Research articles with the same characteristics as original articles, but which, due to their concise nature or specific focus, can be presented in a shorter format.

Review. Comprehensive reviews—preferably using systematic methodology, with or without meta-analysis—on relevant and up-to-date topics concerning pharmacotherapy or the professional development of hospital pharmacy.

Case Report. Manuscripts that describe new adverse drug reactions, novel drug interactions, paradoxical effects, atypical pharmacokinetics, assessments of treatment effectiveness, or other noteworthy findings based on a single case, which may be considered of therapeutic interest or innovation.

Letter to the Editor. Comments on articles previously published in the journal. Priority will be given to letters referring to articles published in the most recent issue. In such cases, the letter will be sent to the authors of the referenced article so they may exercise their right of reply if they wish.

Special Article. Articles providing an in-depth analysis of a current and specific topic, offering an updated and practical overview of subjects such as pharmaceutical practice models, healthcare policy, or educational matters. These articles are usually commissioned by the editorial board. Authors

interested in submitting a spontaneous contribution to this section should consult the editorial office in advance regarding the suitability and editorial requirements. All special articles are subject to editorial review.

Consensus Document and Clinical Guideline. Consensus statements and evidence-based clinical practice guidelines must be endorsed or promoted by the SEFH or recognized health authorities.

Protocol. *Farm Hosp* encourages the publication of research protocols from studies that have received approval from a Clinical Research Ethics Committee (CEIC) or a Research Ethics Committee on Medicinal Products (CEIM). Study results (full or partial) must not have been previously published or accepted for publication elsewhere. In accordance with the 2013 revision of the Declaration of Helsinki, it is recommended that submitted protocols be registered in at least one publicly accessible official registry, such as PROSPERO (www.crd.york.ac.uk/prospere), the Spanish Clinical Trials Registry (<https://reec.aemps.es>), the EU Clinical Trials Register (<https://euclinicaltrials.eu>), or the U.S. FDA Clinical Trials Register (<https://clinicaltrials.gov>). This registration should be explicitly mentioned in the manuscript. Protocols must meet the general ethical requirements applicable to all article types and must have received recent (within the last 3–6 months) approval from the relevant ethics committees.

MANUSCRIPT PREPARATION GUIDELINES

Farm Hosp publishes articles in both Spanish and English. If an article is submitted in English, the Editor may request that the manuscript be professionally revised by a certified language editing service, which must provide a certificate of language quality regarding the language of the manuscript.

Manuscripts must be submitted in Microsoft Word format, using a 12-point font size, 1.5 line spacing throughout, 2 cm margins on all sides, and page numbers placed in the bottom right corner. Abbreviations should be avoided in the title and not used in the abstract. The first time an abbreviation appears in the text, it must be preceded by the full term. Units of measurement should follow the International System of Units (SI). For manuscripts written in Spanish, decimals should be indicated with a comma and thousands with a period. For manuscripts written in English, decimals should be indicated with a period and thousands with a comma.

The maximum word count for abstracts, main text, tables and figures, and references varies according to the type of article as shown below:

Article Type	Abstract	Main Text	Tables & Figures	References
Editorial	–	1,500	–	15
Original	350	3,000	6	30
Brief Original	200	1,500	4	15
Review	350	5,500	6	100
Case Report	–	1,000	3	10
Letter to the Editor	–	600	1	5
Special Article	350	5,000	6	60
Consensus/Guideline	350	–	–	–
Protocol	350	2,500	2	20

Reporting Guidelines by Article Type

Farm Hosp recommends the following reporting guidelines according to the study design:

- **Observational studies (cross-sectional, case-control, and cohort):** STROBE (Strengthening the Reporting of Observational Studies in Epidemiology), available at: <http://www.strobe-statement.org>
- **Suspected adverse drug reactions:** Guidelines from the Spanish Pharmacovigilance System for Medicines for Human Use, available at: <https://www.aemps.gob.es/vigilancia/medicamentosUso-Humano/docs/guidelines-traducidas-2007.pdf>. Authors must also indicate whether suspected adverse reactions have been reported to the Spanish Pharmacovigilance System.
- **Pharmacoeconomic evaluations:** [National Economic Evaluation Guide \(Ministerio de Sanidad\)](#), and CHEERS guidelines, available at: [CHEERS App](#).
- **Randomized clinical trials:** CONSORT (Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials), available at: <https://www.consort-statement.org>. Authors must indicate compliance with the [Spanish Agency of Medicines and Medical Devices \(AEMPS\) requirements](#), and the trial should be registered in the Spanish Clinical Trials Registry (<https://reec.aemps.es>), including the registration number in the manuscript.
- **Non-randomized intervention studies:** TREND (Transparent Reporting of Evaluations with Nonrandomized Designs), available at: [TREND on Elsevier](#)
- **Diagnostic accuracy studies:** STARD (Standards for Reporting of Diagnostic Accuracy Studies), available at: [STARD 2015 PDF](#)
- **Systematic reviews and meta-analyses:** PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses), available at: <http://www.prisma-statement.org>
- **Clinical practice guidelines:** AGREE II (Appraisal of Guidelines for Research and Evaluation), available at: <http://www.agreetrust.org>
- **Protocols:** SPIRIT (Standard Protocol Items: Recommendations for Interventional Trials), available at: <https://www.spirit-statement.org>
- **Case reports:** CARE (CAse REport) guidelines, with recommendations from the Committee on Publication Ethics, available at: <https://www.care-statement.org>
- **Letters to the Editor:** LETTERS (LETter To the Editor Standards), available at: [EQUATOR Network - LETTERS](#)

For more information on research reporting standards, authors may consult the EQUATOR Network: <https://www.equator-network.org>

To incorporate a gender perspective, authors are encouraged to follow the SAGER Guidelines (Sex and Gender Equity in Research), available at: [EASE SAGER 2022 PDF](#)

USE OF GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Farm Hosp adheres to the recommendations of the ICMJE (<https://www.icmje.org/recommendations/>) and Elsevier's editorial policy on the use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) in scientific publishing (<https://www.elsevier.com/about/policies-and-standards/publishing-ethics>).

Authors who use AI-assisted technologies (e.g., Large Language Models [LLMs], chatbots, or image generators) in preparing their submissions must disclose this use in the appropriate section of the manuscript (immediately before the references).

Authors are responsible for carefully reviewing and editing the output of any AI tools used, as AI-generated content may appear credible but can be inaccurate, incomplete, or biased.

Authors must be able to affirm that their manuscript is free of plagiarism, including any text or images generated with the assistance of AI.

REFERENCES AND CITATION GUIDELINES

Farm Hosp follows the 11th edition of the American Medical Association (AMA) citation style: <https://nwtc.libguides.com/c.php?g=49024&p=315498>. Authors may use reference management software that supports the AMA 11th edition style (e.g., EndNote, Mendeley, Zotero), but they are responsible for ensuring that all references comply with the journal's formatting requirements.

References must be numbered consecutively in the order in which they first appear in the text. Once assigned, a reference number must remain consistent throughout the manuscript. Superscript numbers should be used without parentheses and placed after punctuation marks such as periods, commas, quotation marks, or closing parentheses. However, they must precede semicolons and colons. There should be no space between the last character or punctuation and the reference number. Use commas to separate multiple sources and hyphens to indicate a range of consecutive references.

All references cited in the text must appear in the reference list at the end of the manuscript, and all entries must be cited in the text, maintaining the same order. Most references should have been published within the past 10 years, and at least 30% should be from the last 5 years.

1. Journal articles

Author(s). Article title. Journal Name. Year;Volume(Issue):Pages. DOI (if available). Use the format: Lastname Initials (e.g., Morillo R), separated by commas. If there are six or fewer authors, list them all. If more than six, list the first three followed by "et al." Journal names must be italicized and abbreviated.

Examples:

- Yazigi JA Jr, AnauateNicolao F, ArchettiNetto N, et al. Magnetic resonance imaging reproducibility for rotator cuff partial tears in patients up to 60 years. *BMC Musculoskelet Disord*. 2019;20:383-388. doi:10.1186/s12891-019-2760-4
- Economopoulos KJ, Brockmeier SF. Rotator cuff tears in overhead athletes. *Clin Sports Med*. 2012;31(4):675-692.
- Margusino-Framiñán L, Illarro-Uranga A, Lorenzo-Lorenzo K, et al. Pharmaceutical care to hospital outpatients during the COVID-19 pandemic. Telepharmacy. *Farm Hosp*.

2020;44(Supl 1):61-65. doi: 10.7399/fh.11498

- Álvarez Díaz AM, Crespo Diz C, Monte Boquet E, et al. Qualitative study on the adoption and enhancement of the capacity-motivation-opportunity model for pharmaceutical care in outpatient pharmacy consultations in Spain. *Farm Hosp.* 2025; 1:S1130-6343(25)00021-2. (doi: 10.1016/j.farma.2025.03.003

2. Books and Monographs

Author(s) or editor(s) [include ed. or eds. if applicable]. Book Title. Edition [if not first]. Publisher; Copyright year. Access date [only if using a URL]. DOI or URL [if online].

Examples:

- Drake RL, Vogl W, Mitchell AWM, Gray H. Gray's Anatomy for Students. 4th ed. Elsevier; 2020.
- Cameron P, Little M, Mitra B, Deasy C, eds. Textbook of Adult Emergency Medicine. 5th ed. Elsevier; 2020.
- Vieira AR. Genetic Basis of Oral Health Conditions. Springer International Publishing; 2019. doi:10.1007/978-3-030-14485-2
- World Health Organization. Health Worker Roles in Providing Safe Abortion Care and Post-abortion Contraception. World Health Organization; 2015. Accessed August 12, 2020. <https://srhr.org/safeabortion/>

3. Book chapters

Author(s) of the chapter. Title of the chapter. In: Editor(s), ed. or eds. Title of the book. Edition number [if not the first edition]. Publisher; Year of copyright (page range). Access date [only if a URL is used]. DOI or URL [if online].

Examples:

- Smith JV. Shoulder dislocations. In: Fowler GC, ed. Pfenninger and Fowler's Procedures for Primary Care. Elsevier; 2020:1163-1167. Accessed August 6, 2020. <https://www-clinicalkey-com-au.elibrary.jcu.edu.au/#!/content/book/3-s2.0-B9780323476331001745>
- Shaparin N, Shah A, Gritsenko K. Pharmacological agents: opioids. In: Urman RD, Vadivelu N, eds. Perioperative Pain Management. Oxford University Press; 2013:29-37. Accessed November 25, 2012. <https://jcu.ebib.com.au/patron/FullRecord.aspx>
- Trabulsy P. Complementary and alternative medicine. In: Stein GS, Luebbers KP, eds. Cancer: Prevention, Early Detection, Treatment and Recovery. 2nd ed. Wiley Blackwell; 2019:499-530. doi:10.1002/9781119645214.ch27

4. Conference Presentations

Author(s). Title of the work. Type of presentation: Name of the conference; Conference dates; Year; City, country or state. Abbreviation (if applicable). Accessed Month DD, YYYY. URL. Videocast/Transcript/Abstract available at: URL (if applicable).

Examples:

➤ Not published or available only on the conference website:

- Maddox S, Hurling J, Stewart E, Edwards A. If mama ain't happy, nobody's happy: the effect of parental depression on mood dysregulation in children. Paper presented at: Southeastern Psychological Association 62nd Annual Meeting; March 30–April 2, 2016; New Orleans, USA.
- Pearson J. Fat talk and its effects on state-based body image in women. Poster presented at: Australian Psychological Society Congress; September 21–30, 2018; Sydney, Australia.
- Baydorova I, Collins H, Ait Saadi I. Matching student and supervisor expectations in Malaysian doctoral education. Paper presented at: Australian Association for Research in Education Conference; November 26–30, 2017; Canberra, Australia. Abstract available at: aare.edu.au/publications/aare-conference-papers/show-/13007/-matching-student-and-supervisor-expectations-in-malaysian-doctoral-education

➤ Published:

- Morgan R, Meldrum K, Bryan S, et al. Embedding digital literacies in curricula: Australian and Malaysian experiences. In: Teh GB, Choy SC, eds. Empowering 21st Century Learners Through Holistic and Enterprising Learning: Selected Papers from Tunku Abdul Rahman University College International Conference 2016. Springer Singapore; 2017:11-19.
- Huang G-M, Huang K-Y, Lee T-Y, Tzu-Ya Weng J. An interpretable rule-based diagnostic classification of diabetic nephropathy among type 2 diabetes patients. BMC Bioinformatics. 2015;16(suppl 1):S5. Selected articles from the Thirteenth Asia Pacific Bioinformatics Conference (APBC 2015). doi:10.1186/1471-2105-16-S1-S5.

5. Websites

Information that is fully online and does not correspond to a book, journal, monograph, or other formal publication type. Common examples include websites, homepage content, informational PDFs (unless ISBN-designated), online videos, or audio files.

Author(s) (if known). Title of page or content. Website name. [Published] Month DD YYYY. [Updated] Month DD YYYY. Accessed Month DD YYYY. URL

Examples:

- Pharmacy ownership in Queensland. Queensland Health. Updated September 1 2021. Accessed January 10, 2022. <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/systemgovernance/licences/pharmacy/pharmacy-ownership/queensland>
- Department of Health & Human Services. Anaphylaxis. Better Health Channel. Updated September 25, 2023. Accessed February 9, 2024. betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/ConditionsAndTreatments/anaphylaxis
- Food allergy or intolerance? Allergy and Anaphylaxis Australia. Updated January 2017. Accessed August 31, 2020. <https://allergyfacts.org.au/allergy-anaphylaxis/food-allergy-or-intolerance>
- Zika virus. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. January 26, 2016. Updated November 20, 2019. Accessed September 8, 2020. <https://www.cdc.gov/zika/>
- University of California Television. Ketogenesis and fasting: Fuel for the brain. YouTube.

August 14, 2020. Accessed August 31, 2020. [youtube.com/watch?v=H33vuQLliXE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H33vuQLliXE)

- Postural orthostatic tachycardia syndrome (POTS). Johns Hopkins Medicine. No date. Accessed September 24, 2023. <https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/health/conditions-and-diseases/postural-orthostatic-tachycardia-syndrome-pots>

6. Online Publications

Author(s) (if available). Title of the page or document. Website name. URL. Year of publication. Accessed date.

Examples:

- World Health Organization. Global Status Report on Alcohol and Health 2018. WHO website. <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789241565639>. Published 2018. Accessed March 10, 2024.

7. Online Databases

Name of database. Title of entry or content. URL. [Publication date]. [Update date]. Accessed [date].

Examples:

- Lexicomp. Amoxicillin: Drug information. <https://www.uptodate.com/contents/amoxicillin-drug-information>. Accessed May 5, 2025.
- Micromedex. Ibuprofen. <https://www.micromedexsolutions.com>. Published 2022. Accessed April 30, 2025.

8. Legislation

Title of the law or regulation. Official Bulletin, issue number, date, pages.

Examples:

- Law 44/2003 of November 21, regulating healthcare professions. Boletín Oficial del Estado, no. 280, November 22, 2003, pp. 41442–41458.
- Royal Decree 1090/2015 of December 4, regulating clinical drug trials. Boletín Oficial del Estado, no. 307, December 24, 2015, pp. 121069–121131.

9. Doctoral Dissertations

Author. Title [doctoral dissertation]. City, country: University; Year. URL (if applicable). Accessed [date].

Examples:

- García López R. Evaluation of Treatment Adherence in Polymedicated Patients [doctoral dissertation]. Madrid, Spain: Universidad Complutense de Madrid; 2020.
- Santos Martín F. Impact of Pharmaceutical Care in Chronic Patients [doctoral dissertation]. Seville, Spain: Universidad de Sevilla; 2021. <https://idus.us.es/handle/11441/103501>. Accessed May 8, 2025.

10. Scientific or Technical Reports

Author or institution. Title. Place of publication: responsible institution; Year. URL (if applicable). Accessed [date].

Examples:

- Instituto Nacional de Estadística. Encuesta europea de salud en España 2020. Madrid: INE; 2021. <https://www.ine.es>. Accessed May 7, 2025.
- World Health Organization. World Report on Vision. Geneva: WHO; 2019. <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789241516570>. Accessed May 5, 2025.

11. Social Media Posts

Author (if known). Content or title [Name of the social network]. Date of publication. URL. Accessed [date].

Examples:

- Ministerio de Sanidad. Hoy celebramos el Día Mundial del Farmacéutico. Gracias por vuestro trabajo [Twitter]. September 25, 2023. twitter.com/sanidad-gob/status/1-706220143214325760. Accessed May 8, 2025.
- OMS. Preguntas frecuentes sobre las vacunas COVID-19 [Facebook]. March 3, 2021. <https://www.facebook.com/WHO/posts/3467219870023900>. Accessed May 9, 2025.

12. Newspaper Articles

Author. Article title. Newspaper name. Date of publication: section (if applicable). URL (if online). Accessed [date].

Examples:

- Fernández M. El reto de la sanidad rural en España. El País. April 10, 2023. <https://elpais.com/sociedad/2023-04-10/el-reto-de-la-sanidad-rural-en-espana.html>. Accessed May 8, 2025.
- García J. La OMS alerta del aumento de enfermedades respiratorias. La Vanguardia. January 15, 2024. Accessed May 9, 2025.

ETHICAL RESPONSIBILITIES

All submitted studies—including minimal-intervention observational studies, whether prospective or retrospective—involving human participants or animals must have been previously reviewed and approved by a Clinical Research Ethics Committee (CEIC), a Medicines Research Ethics Committee (CEICM), or a Research Ethics Committee (CEIM). Authors must confirm that the study adheres to the fundamental principles of the World Medical Association's Declaration of Helsinki, available at: <https://www.wma.net/policies-post/wma-declaration-of-helsinki-ethical-principles-for-medical-research-involving-human-subjects>

The corresponding author is responsible for safeguarding patients' right to privacy, by protecting their identity both in the writing of the manuscript and in any accompanying images. When applicable, the manuscript must state that data or images were obtained with the patient's prior written informed consent. These ethical safeguards must be clearly and explicitly described in the Methods section.

The publication of case reports or case series requires that patients provide written informed consent prior to submission of the manuscript, in order to safeguard patient confidentiality and autonomy. Authors must explicitly state in the manuscript that such consent has been obtained. The patient consent form should not be sent to the journal.

The patient information sheet and informed consent form must be prepared in accordance with the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) recommendations for obtaining patient consent prior to publication of case reports and case series: <https://doi.org/10.24318/cope.2019.1.6>

MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSION PROCESS

Manuscripts must be submitted electronically through the Editorial Manager platform, available at: <https://www.editorialmanager.com/farma/default.aspx>, which can also be accessed from the *Farm Hosp* website: <https://www.revistafarmaciahospitalaria.es/en>

The following documents must be uploaded to the system in Microsoft Word format:

1. Cover letter

The cover letter must be addressed to the Editorial Office of *Farm Hosp* and signed by all listed authors, including their national identification number (DNI or equivalent). It must formally request the evaluation of the manuscript for publication in *Farm Hosp*.

The cover letter must include the following:

- The title and type of article, subject to final classification by the journal's editorial board.
- The total word count of the abstracts (in Spanish and English) and of the main manuscript (excluding the title, abstract, keywords, tables, figures, and references).
- A clear statement that the manuscript has not been previously published and is not currently under review by any other journal or media outlet.
- Confirmation that the necessary permissions have been obtained for the reproduction of any previously published material (if applicable). These permissions will be requested by the editor during the review process and must be submitted through the platform together with any required revisions.

- Indication of whether the manuscript has been previously presented at a conference or scientific meeting, and, optionally, whether it has received any awards or recognitions.

2. First page

- Title of the manuscript in Spanish and English: The title must provide a detailed description of the content and include terms that, together with the abstract, will ensure accurate and specific electronic retrieval. It should include keywords aligned with *Medical Subject Headings* (MeSH) terminology. The title should be as concise as possible and limited to a single sentence (generally no more than 15 words). Avoid acronyms, codes, and uncommon symbols.
- Authorship and affiliation: Provide the full names of all authors (not abbreviated), using one or two surnames listed in the appropriate authorship order. On the following line, include the department or service, institution(s), city, and country. Do not include academic degrees or professional titles. It is recommended to define a “bibliographic surname” by using either a single surname or both surnames joined by a hyphen, to avoid confusion in bibliographic databases. Include the ORCID ID for each author.
- Corresponding author: Provide the name, surname, and email address.
- Acknowledgments: Acknowledgments should be made to individuals or institutions that clearly contributed to the work but do not meet the criteria for authorship. All persons mentioned must be informed of and approve their inclusion in this section. If AI was used to assist with manuscript writing, it must be disclosed in this section as well.
- Funding: Authors must disclose any financial or material support received for the study, including the funding agency, institution, or company, along with the project, grant, or contract numbers. If no external funding was received, please state: “*No funding.*”
- Conflicts of interest: All manuscripts submitted to *Farm Hosp* must include a declaration of potential conflicts of interest for each listed author. Conflicts of interest may be professional, research-related, financial, or personal. Upon manuscript submission, authors must briefly declare whether any such conflicts exist. The editorial office may request that this declaration be expanded or clarified if deemed necessary. If no conflicts exist, authors must explicitly state: “*No conflicts of interest.*”

This declaration is a mandatory requirement for all article types and must be completed in the “Funding and Conflicts of Interest” section of the authorship form to be submitted with the manuscript. Reference: <http://www.icmje.org/conflicts-of-interest/>

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