

DPES Pro Article Guidelines:

****This is a rough guideline for preparing a DPES article. Depending on the procedure, not all sections are necessary.**

Introduction

This section introduces the procedure to the reader and gives any preliminary information that the author considers of importance to set the stage for the flow of the article's content.

Background

This section presents the theoretical foundation, literature review, historical development and other aspects of the procedure that the author considers of importance in providing a contextual framework for the procedure. If the volume of the text requires it, the author may wish to divide this section into subsections titled according to the topic covered in each subsection.

Procedure

This section provides a detailed description of the procedure, divided into subsections as necessary to cover the sequence of the procedure (i.e., step-by-step explanation). The subsections should be titled with the name of each step of the procedure. The author should write as detailed an explanation as possible, using the standards of scientific language common to scholarly dental journals and/or academic textbooks.

Research and Clinical Implications

This section provides the reader with up-to-date information about the latest research in the performance of the procedure. It considers the implications for the future clinical applications of new procedure methodologies.

Contentious Issues

This section should make reference to any contentious issues of the procedure that may be found in the dental literature, such as competing theories or methodologies, ethical considerations and/or other controversial matters regarding the procedure. Where possible, illustrate with case studies any of these aspects.