



Proposal/Full Case Submission Tips

Dear authors, in order to increase the chance of your proposal being accepted and your full case being published, please check the following tips prior to your submission.

Aim and scope:

The aim of the ESC Clinical Case Gallery is to present real and typical clinical scenarios, discuss findings and management in the light of current ESC recommendations and follow the clinical course of the case.

Case reports should:

- Show clear links with ESC Guidelines
- Specify ESC Core Curriculum chapters emphasised
- Outline clear learning objectives

Language:

For reviewers to accurately assess the work presented in your proposal or full case you need to ensure the English language is of sufficient quality to be understood (grammar and spelling). If you need help with writing in English you should consider asking a colleague who is a native English speaker to review your case for clarity.

Title:

The title should be a clear and short description of the case and related to the guidelines that are being illustrated in the proposal/full case submitted.

Specifically for full case:

Text:

For a better user experience, you have the opportunity to divide your clinical case into pages (7 pages max). With buttons labelled “back” and “next” readers will be able to move back and forward in the clinical case.

Important: Do not write the answer of a question on the same page as the question!

Each page can be composed of:

- 1 or more text section,
- Up to 4 media files
- 1 or 2 multiple choice questions
- Also potentially include algorithm in full case when possible

MCQ Tips:

- Before starting to write a question, identify the area of knowledge that you wish to test
- The question should be direct, unambiguous and should address a single issue
- Negatively worded questions can confuse candidates, do not reflect clinical reality and should be avoided, e.g.:

- What is not a feature of...?
- What is the least likely cause/diagnosis/explanation?
- What investigation/treatment/next step in management should be avoided?

- The options should:

- Be capable of being anticipated from the clinical scenario in the Stem
- Be plausible and realistic

- Provide feedback for each question with a brief explanation— one or at the most three sentences –of the correct and incorrect answers, referring to the educational resource where applicable

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Important: As author, you are responsible for removing any elements that could be used to identify patients.