



## 1- Neurotarget Journal. Introduction.

**NeuroTarget** is a periodical publication that aims to promote the production and dissemination of scientific literature in Spanish related to various areas of Neuroscience, such as Neuroanatomy, Functional Neurosurgery, Stereotaxy, Radiosurgery and Neuromodulation, in different academic, scientific and welfare areas of our continent. Due to the professionals and institutions involved, the topics of publication refer essentially to pathologies such as Chronic Pain, Parkinson's Disease, Abnormal Movements, Epilepsy, Spasticity and several psychiatric diseases whose novel treatments we try to reflect in our pages.

The institution in charge of its edition is the CENIT Foundation for Neuroscience Research. At the same time, this publication has been distinguished as an organ of scientific diffusion of the following institutions: Latin American Society of Functional Neurosurgery and Stereotaxy (SLANFE), Argentine Association for the Study of Pain (AAED), Argentine Society of Neuromodulation (SANE) and Latin American Federation of Associations for the Study of Pain (FEDELAT).





NeuroTarget has several sections where articles can be published, these are:

- ✓ Editorial
- ✓ Tribute
- ✓ Biostructural Foundations of Neurosciences
- ✓ Technical Notes
- ✓ Original Article
- ✓ Articles selected and translated from the PAIN Journal, official publication of the IASP (International Association for the Study of Pain).
- ✓ Articles selected and translated from the Journal Neuromodulation, official publication of the INS (International Neuromodulation Society).
- ✓ Reviews
- ✓ Expert opinion

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History of the discovery and description of the anatomical structure in question. Description of the anatomical structure, both structural and functional, as well as its anatomical and functional relationships with other structures and/or associated areas. Statement of the relevance of the anatomical structure considered in the work in relation to different pathologies or to the development of therapeutic techniques.

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Detailed description of the anatomical region under discussion, considering its limits, relationships and eventual connections, as well as the information relevant to the technique to be performed.

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## Anatomy:

Detailed description of the anatomical target of the technique considering its limits, relationships and possible connections, as well as the relevant information to carry out the technique.

## Material and Method:

List and describe in an orderly and chronological manner all instances of the technique. It should include, among other things: patient position, required anesthesia, approach site, material used, selection of the imaging technique if used, specific equipment and drugs used in each stage of the procedure, emphasizing all the characteristics of the drugs so that they can be identified by the readers.

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Point out potential complications inherent to the technique and/or drugs used. Conclusion:

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Authors should submit a list of three to five words or short phrases in Spanish and English in order to facilitate the inclusion of the article in the national or international repertoire of medical literature.

Introduction.

It should be clear and concise, establish the purpose of the work and reasonably summarize the current status of the problem addressed, based on the relevant and strictly necessary bibliography. The introduction should facilitate the reader's understanding of the text that follows.

Materials and Methods:

It should clearly describe the selection criteria of the study material, patients and study design. Clinical cases should be fully described. The units of laboratory parameters should conform to international standards and the drugs cited should be referenced by their generic names. Statistical evaluation methods should be clearly stated, as well as the power and degree of significance.

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## Conclusions:

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## - Expert Opinion

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These are short papers of 2,500 words, which should be written following the logical order of introduction, development and conclusions, without separating the sections and bibliographical references (this section should be based on the most updated bibliography on the subject in question; 60% or more of the bibliography used should be from the last 5 years). The number of bibliographic citations used should be between 10 and 15.

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Authors should state their contribution to the research at the end of the paper.

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The article should include: Title, Abstract, Introduction, Method, Development, Conclusions and Bibliographical references. Optionally, the paper may include tables and figures. Review articles should be prepared with the most updated bibliography possible on the subject being addressed and its access in networks.

Introduction:

Present brief, clear and appropriate background with its bibliographical basis. It must be a topic of importance and relevance to science. The scientific problem that originates the review must be justified. Clearly describe the objectives of the work.

Methods:

Criteria and justification for the selection of the sources consulted. Search engines used, databases and search strategies; as well as the criteria used for the selection of the articles cited. It does not require results, but it should be expanded in the development as the secondary article that it is. Period taken for the review.

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Exposition in accordance with the objectives of the work. Figures and tables that highlight relevant aspects without repeating information. Interpretation of the results indicated in the literature consulted. Contrast the differences and coincidences of the studies analyzed. Critique the results of the study in the light of works published by other researchers. Describe the possible applicability and generalization of the results. Include new aspects to be considered (if necessary). Point out or highlight the limitations or contributions of the review.

Conclusions:

Respond to the objectives of the study. State clear, concrete and pertinent conclusions.

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They must be the necessary and well delimited (with superscript and after the punctuation mark). It should contain 60% of the last 5 years and of these 75% of the last 3 years. Relevant national and international literature on the subject should be represented.





### - Presentation of Cases

These articles have the characteristic that they discuss one or several cases of interest, this interest is given by:

- Clinical syndrome or hereditary or congenital alteration, not previously described.
- The case is known but its frequency is scarce, so there are problems in its diagnosis.
- Identification of rare clinical manifestations.
- Use of new and more accurate diagnostic procedures than those referred to above.
- Use of useful therapeutic procedures not previously described or incorporation of new elements in them.
- Use of new drugs as published in the literature.

In its basic content, the Material and Methods section is omitted and the results are included in the presentation of the clinical case or cases.

They will have the following structure: introduction (including the objective); presentation of the case (the entire presentation will be reflected in chronological order, from the time the patient was first seen until the outcome); discussion and bibliographical references (up to 15).

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### 5- Peer Review Process

The Neurotarget Journal follows a double-blind peer review policy for scientific manuscripts submitted by authors who meet the publication standards. In all cases, this review process protects both the authors and the experts who review the papers, maintaining special care with the established ethical standards and avoiding conflicts of interest. The editorial office of the journal will acknowledge receipt of the authors of the papers received, and will subsequently inform them of their acceptance or rejection.

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The editorial staff of the journal will keep the authors informed of the papers received and their subsequent acceptance or not to continue in the process, and they will be able to know when they are in the process.

The editorial office of the journal reserves the right to reject articles that it deems unsuitable for publication and to have up to 30 working days, from the date the article enters the review section in the editorial flow, for the entire review process to define its acceptance or rejection.

If the manuscript is rejected, its publication will not be possible; if it is sent to the author with recommendations, he/she must respond within 15 working days for its subsequent publication.

If it takes longer than this time, it is considered out of the editorial flow and will re-enter the system when the author(s) resubmits it with the appropriate corrections, if deemed appropriate.

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