

Instruction to Authors

- 1. Statement of Purpose:** The Journal of Arrhythmia publishes review articles, original articles, case reports and letter from the readers on any aspect of cardiac pacing and cardiovascular electrophysiology.
- 2. Theme:** Topics of the manuscripts should include basic and clinical study on cardiovascular electrophysiology and arrhythmia.
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