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1. Title page
2. Abstract and key words
3. Introduction
4. Material and methods
5. Results
6. Discussion
7. Conclusion/recommendations
8. Acknowledgement if any
9. References

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Mention type of study, period of study, study setting, sample size and selection of study subjects with inclusion and exclusion criteria.

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Mention a few practical and feasible recommendations (if any) based on findings in the study.

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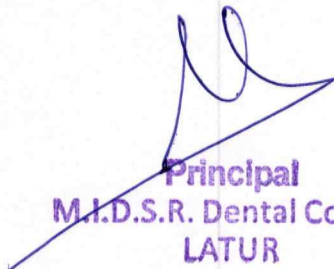
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