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- Statistics
- Results
- Discussion
- Conclusion
- References (AMA manual of style, 10th ed.)

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- 20 references or less
- No more than 4 authors

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- Case Presentation
- Discussion
- Conclusion
- References (AMA manual of style, 10th ed.)

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