

## RCPI eJournal Club Marking Scheme and Instructions

Your review should not exceed **400 words** in length. You may submit more than one entry at a time. The marking scheme is marked out of **30 marks**.

Presentation of the key points in the paper. This is given **5 marks** for accuracy.

- Concise background information and aim
- Clear explanation of the study design - patient selection/clinical criteria/methods/statistical methods
- Results delivered in a concise manner/correct interpretation of results based on understanding of paper
- Clear statement that represents the authors' conclusions

Discussion of the strengths and limitations of the study. **10 marks**

- Concept
- Design
- Interpretation of results and conclusion

The trainee's interpretation of the study. **15 marks**

- A reflective paragraph on how this paper has influenced the entrant in terms of their day-to-day practice and experiences.
- Consider the future direction for this work or similar studies. How might it be relevance to other areas of medicine? How does it apply to an Irish healthcare context?