

A reality-near demonstration article exercising the full JATS feature set

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Abstract

Background

This article demonstrates a complete JATS feature set for rendering across layouts: structured affiliations with ROR identifiers, ORCID, a corresponding author, a numbered table of contents, a multi-row table header, a figure, a display equation, dense footnotes, and a structured reference list.

Methods

We rendered the article through the production layout engine and validated each feature against the resulting PDF and self-contained HTML.

Results

All showcased elements rendered correctly, including the affiliation ROR links and the cross-referenced citations and footnotes.

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Introduction

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Each element carries explicit semantics, so a downstream renderer can make correct layout decisions without heuristics. [2] The reference list is where small inconsistencies accumulate into visible defects if the renderer is not defensive. Mathematical content must survive the round trip from MathML to the rendered output without namespace loss.²

In practice, the hardest cases are the ones where real-world documents deviate from the idealized schema. [3] Footnotes interact with pagination in ways that are easy to get wrong when content is dense. Cross-references should resolve to stable anchors so that both print and screen output remain navigable.³

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Table 1 Primary and secondary outcomes by treatment group. The header spans two rows.

Group	Primary outcome		Adverse events
	Recovery %	95% CI	
Placebo	41	34–48	3
Low dose	58	51–65	5
High dose	72	66–78	7
Control	49	42–56	2

$$d=\mu_1-\mu_2\sigma_{12}+\sigma_{22}((1))$$

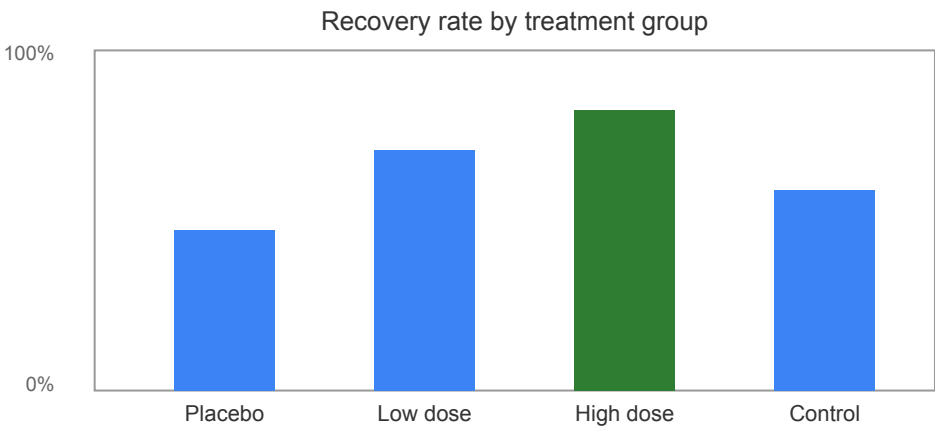


Figure 1 Recovery rate by treatment group. The high-dose group (green) showed the highest recovery.

Study design

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Notes

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