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Example layout for papers submitted to the 2nd international conference on advances in medical signal and information processing (medsip2004)

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# Introduction

These are the instructions for preparing papers for the MEDSIP2004 conference proceedings. Papers must be written in English and submitted in camera-ready format. To ensure uniformity of style, authors must strictly adhere to the layout and typesetting instructions.

**PAGE LAYOUT**

The paper size is 210mm by 297mm (A4). Each page has two columns 80mm wide with 10mm separation between them. Leave 24mm margins at the top and bottom of the page, and 20mm margins on the left and right sides. The text in each column should be left and right justified. The pages must not be numbered and must not contain any headers. The maximum allowed length is 8 pages.

Type the main text, figure captions and table headings using a 10pt size, single spaced, Roman typeface (e.g. Times, Times New Roman). Sans-serif fonts like Arial or Helvetica may only be used within figures (e.g. axis labels) and tables, and should not be smaller than 8pt or larger than 12pt.

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As a general guideline, divide the paper into sections such as Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusions. Section headings should not be numbered, and adhere to the following format:

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Number equations consecutively using Arabic numbers in parentheses placed at the right column margin, such as

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**Fig. 1** This is the figure caption for an example figure showing a blank box.

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