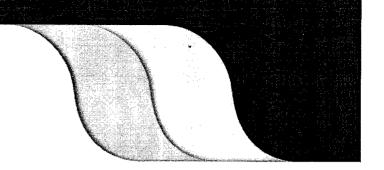
THESIS PROTOCOL GUIDE

(The Students need to describe in detail)

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Apart from the formal letter and documents, protocol shall consist of the following

- 1. Title Short but should tell what is inside, follow PI/ECO
- 2. Introduction or Background of the study

Relevance of the study and why the study should be conducted

3. Review of Literature

Relevant and recent ones

4. Objectives(s)

Should be SMART, use good action verb and limit the number

5. Materials and Methods

Should describe the following points

- 5.1. Study design
- 5.2. Setting
- 5.3. Duration of the study
- 5.4. Study population (all the groups if applicable)/Inclusion & Exclusion criteria
- 5.5. Sample Size and Sampling/Recruitment/Randomization (if clinical trial)
- 5.6. Variables studied Independent or Exposure as well as Dependent or Outcome/ Describe the Intervention (if clinical trial or experimental study)
- 5.7. Operational definitions (if any)
- 5.8. Data Collection Study instrument / Procedure
- 5.9. Data Handling and Analysis
- 5.10. Ethical issues and steps to minimize harms to participants

6. Summary

7. Annexure

- o Any Schedule/Questionnaire/Proforma
- o Informed Consent Document
- o Any other (if needed)
- 8. References follow ICMJE guidelines (refer to https://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/uniform_requirements.html & https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK7256/). But if the authors >6, cite only 6)