

Tables

When multiple laboratory (lab) data are given, organizing them in a table may improve readability.

- submit tables as editable text
- number each table in the same sequence as they are cited in the text
- provide a descriptive title for each table
- center the title, contents and captions of the table
- identify all abbreviations used at the bottom of the table
- use font size 10 for the title, size 9 for the contents and size 8 for the captions

PLEASE INCLUDE THE UNITS OF THE LAB DATA. (The units may be given with the names of the data or with the values, whichever format is more readable.)

For example:

Table 1. Admission Laboratory Data.

WBC count	8,200/mm ³
Hemoglobin	14.4 gm/dL
Hematocrit	42.1%
Prothrombin time	10.1 seconds
INR	0.9
PTT	26.5 seconds
Total bilirubin	7.4 mg/dL (H)
Direct bilirubin	5.0 mg/dL (H)
Indirect bilirubin	2.4 mg/dL (H)
Alkaline phosphatase	400 IU/L (H)
AST	298 IU/L (H)
ALT	727 IU/L (H)
Amylase	126 IU/L
Lipase	258 IU/L (H)
Hepatitis panel	Negative

*Note: (H) indicates high. (L) indicates low.

Table 1A. Laboratory Data in the Clinic and On Admission.

	In Clinic	On Admission
WBC count (per mm ³)	7,800	8,200
Hemoglobin (gm/dL)	14.7	14.4
Hematocrit (%)	43.0	42.1
Prothrombin time (seconds)		10.1
INR		0.9
PTT (seconds)		26.5
Total bilirubin (mg/dL)	2.8 (H)	7.4 (H)
Direct bilirubin (mg/dL)		5.0 (H)
Indirect bilirubin (mg/dL)		2.4
Alkaline phosphatase (IU/L)	306 (H)	400 (H)
AST (IU/L)	754 (H)	298 (H)
ALT (IU/L)	1402 (H)	727 (H)
Amylase (IU/L)	147 (H)	126
Lipase (IU/L)		258 (H)

*Note: (H) indicates high.