**AJR Modified STROBE Criteria**

(Strengthening the reporting of observational studies in epidemiology)

**Title/Abstract:**

- Indicate observational study in title and/or abstract
- Abstract should summarize methods and findings

**Introduction:**

- Scientific background and rationale for the investigation
- Specific objectives, including prespecified hypotheses

**Methods:**

- Outline key elements in study design: cross-sectional, cohort (prospective or retrospective study), or case control series
- Inclusion/exclusion criteria
- Time period of data collection (calendar dates and length)
- Describe methods of patient or case identification
- Describe statistical methods

**Results:**

- Consider flow diagrams
- Primary and subgroup analysis results
- Numbers in each subgroup or technique, if applicable
- Account for attribution and sources of bias

**Discussion:**

- Summarize key results with reference to study objectives
- Discuss validity and limitations of study
Conclusion: Clinical applicability