

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD, MALABAR CANCER CENTRE
PROTOCOL FORMAT

- 1. Background/Introduction**
- 2. Review of literature**
- 3. Research question**
- 4. Hypothesis (not mandate for descriptive study)**
- 5. Aim and Objectives**
 - a. Primary objective
 - b. Secondary objective
- 6. Methodology**
 - a. Study setting
 - b. Study design
 - c. Operational definitions(if applicable)
 - d. Study period
 - e. Study population
 - f. Inclusion criteria
 - g. Exclusion criteria
 - h. Method of data collection(Description)
 - i. Data variables(Annexure Performa)
 - j. Statistical methods
- 7. Ethical considerations**
- 8. Dissemination of results**
- 9. Potential impact in current practice (if applicable)**
- 10. Conflict of interest**
- 11. Project management**
- 12. References**