

CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST STATEMENT

I, P.C. Giordano, author of the review entitled "Universal screening for Hemoglobinopathies in today multi-ethnic societies: How and when" which I have submitted to World Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology on July 17, 2015 and which is registered under number 21530, hereby declare to have no conflicts of interests whatsoever regarding the content of my review.

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