



Guidelines for Preparing the Camera-Ready Copy of the Abstract

1. All abstracts must be written and submitted in English, using MS Word 2007 or later.

Format

• Paper size A4 (use the template)

Number of Pages One

• Margins Given in the template (left 1.3 inches and right 0.7 inches)

• Font Times New Roman

• Font size 12 font size (except author names, affiliations & email

address)

Figures, tables, and references **should not be included** in the abstract.

We encourage you to use the camera-ready abstract template given together with this document, where everything is formatted according to the guidelines.

Please submit the Word document, not a PDF file.

2. The abstract should contain the following:

TITLE

- Should be brief and reflect the study carried out. If the scientific names of organisms are included, they should be written in capital italics. If common or vernacular names follow the scientific name, they should be included in parentheses.
- The letters should be bold uppercase and center aligned.
- Font: Times New Roman, Font size: 12, Line Spacing: 1.15
- There should be no line space above the title. One line space should be left below the title.

NAME/S OF AUTHOR/S

- Should be in lowercase letters (except initials and the first letter of the name/s) and center aligned.
- Font: Times New Roman, Font size: 10, Line spacing: 1.0.
- Author 'surname' should be written first, followed by 'initials'. Each initial should be followed by a full stop and a space between two initials (Ex: Perera A. B. C.). *Refer to the template given*.
- Presenter's name should be underlined, and the corresponding author's name should be indicated by an asterisk at the end.
- One line space should be left between the name/s and affiliation/s.

AUTHOR/S AFFILIATIONS AND CORRESPONDANCE

- Author affiliations should be given according to the author list and should be in <u>Italics</u> (Font: Times New Roman, Font size: 10, Line spacing: 1.0).
- Corresponding author's email address should be indicated after the authors' affiliations.
- No line space should be left between the affiliations and the email address.

TEXT

- Should include Introduction, Materials and Methods, Results, Discussion, and Conclusions; should be written within a single paragraph without sub-titles/sub-headings (the first line of the paragraph **should not** be indented) and justified.
- Font: Times New Roman, Font size: 12, Line spacing: 1.15).

KEYWORDS

- A maximum of 5 keywords separated by commas should be included after the sub-title, '*Keywords:*' placed at the end of the abstract (<u>Font: Times New Roman, Font size: 10, Line Spacing: 1.0, Style: *in Italics*).</u>
- One line space should be left between the text and keywords.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

An acknowledgement, only with the name of the funding organization/s and grant number/s, may be added separately after the text, as a single sentence in italics (Font: Times New Roman, Font size: 10, Line Spacing: 1.0, Style: *in Italics*).

A single line space should be left between the keywords and the acknowledgement.

Spelling: British spelling must be used throughout the text.

Abbreviations: Should be cited in full at first occurrence, except for standard abbreviations.

Non-English and Technical Terms: Should be in italics.