

Top tips for submitting an abstract

AUTHORS

Agree your roles:

- Lead writing and submission
- Get permission before submitting



Remember to get permission from all authors before submitting the abstract.

TITLE

This should convey what your abstract is about and make it sound interesting!



- Go for a question
- Be a bit controversial or emotive
- Use a quote if qualitative research

BACKGROUND OR INTRODUCTION

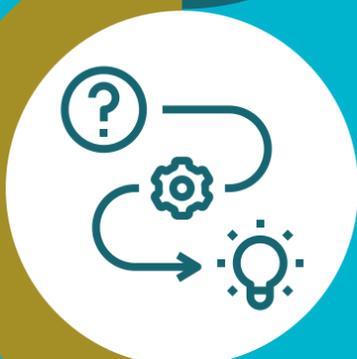
Keep it short - 3/4 sentences. Focus on why people should care about your topic.



Cover what is already known and outline the problem and how you will address it or fill a gap.

METHODS

Include enough information to enable reader to understand what was done and how it was done.



For audit, research or service evaluation project - Include design, setting, sample, data collection, data analysis.

RESULTS OR FUNDINGS

Give a brief overview of results or if qualitative general trends and themes.



- Focus on highest impact/important results
- Link back to your title or key question

CONCLUSIONS OR IMPLICATIONS

Use precisely worded sentences to explain the significance of your work.



- Highlight important unexpected findings
- Why findings are important in your field - the theoretical or practical implications
- Next steps

SUBMITTING

Try not to leave it until the last minute to submit - the deadline is 27th March 2026.



Check what you need before beginning to fill out the form - use our handy checklist.

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