



Chapter Preparation Guidelines

Chapter Title:

The title should be limited to 25 words or less and should not contain abbreviations. The title should be a brief phrase describing the contents of the paper.

Author Information:

Complete names and affiliation of all authors, including contact details of corresponding author (Telephone, Fax and E-mail address).

Abstract:

The abstract should be informative and completely self-explanatory, briefly present the topic, state the scope of the experiments, indicate significant data, and point out major findings and conclusions.

The abstract should summarize the chapter content in 300 words or less. Standard nomenclature should be used and abbreviations should be avoided. The preferable format should accommodate a description of the study background, methods, results and conclusion. Following the abstract, a list of keywords (3-10) and abbreviations should be included.

Text

Introduction:

The introduction should set the tone of the paper by providing a clear statement of the study, the relevant literature on the study subject and the proposed approach or solution. The introduction should be general enough to attract a reader's attention from a broad range of scientific disciplines.

Materials and Methods:

This section should provide a complete overview of the design of the study. Detailed descriptions of materials or participants, comparisons, interventions and types of analysis should be mentioned. However, only new procedures should be described in detail; previously published procedures should be cited and important modifications of published procedures should be mentioned briefly. Capitalize trade names and include the manufacturer's name and address.



Results:

The results section should provide complete details of the experiment that are required to support the conclusion of the study. The results should be written in the past tense when describing findings in the authors' experiments. Previously published findings should be written in the present tense. Results and discussion may be combined or in a separate section. Speculation and detailed interpretation of data should not be included in the results but should be put into the discussion section.

Acknowledgement:

This section includes acknowledgment of people, grant details, funds, etc.

Note:

If an author fails to submit his/her work as per the above instructions, they are pleased to maintain clear titles namely headings, subheading.

References

Only published or accepted chapters/papers should be included in the reference list. Meetings abstracts, conference talks, or papers that have been submitted but not yet accepted should not be cited. All personal communications should be supported by a letter from the relevant authors.

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Examples

Published Papers

Laemmli UK (1970) Cleavage of structural proteins during the assembly of the head of bacteriophage T4. *Nature* 227: 680-685.

Brusic V, Rudy G, Honeyman G, Hammer J, Harrison L (1998) Prediction of MHC class II-binding peptides using an evolutionary algorithm and artificial neural network. *Bioinformatics* 14: 121-130.

Doroshenko V, Airich L, Vitushkina M, Kolokolova A, Livshits V, et al. (2007) YddG from *Escherichia coli* promotes export of aromatic amino acids. *FEMS Microbiol Lett* 275: 312-318.

Note: Please list the first five authors and then add “et al.” if there are additional authors.

Tables

These should be used at a minimum and designed as simple as possible. We strongly encourage authors to submit tables as .doc format. Tables are to be typed double-spaced throughout, including headings and footnotes. Each table should be on a separate page, numbered consecutively in Arabic numerals and supplied with a heading and a legend. Tables should be self-explanatory without reference to the text. Preferably, the details of the methods used in the experiments should be described in the legend instead of in the text. The same data should not be presented in both table and graph form or repeated in the text. Cells can be copied from an Excel spreadsheet and pasted into a word document, but Excel files should not be embedded as objects.

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Figures

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Use Arabic numerals to designate figures and upper case letters for their parts (Figure 1). Begin each legend with a title and include sufficient description so that the figure is understandable without reading the text of the chapter. Information given in legends should not be repeated in the text.

Figure legends:

These should be typed in numerical order on a separate sheet.

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If equations cannot be encoded in MathML, submit them in TIFF or EPS format as discrete files (i.e., a file containing only the data for one equation). Only when tables cannot be encoded as XML/SGML can they be submitted as graphics. If this method is used, it is critical that the font size in all equations and tables is consistent and legible throughout all submissions.

- Suggested Equation Extraction Method
- Table Specifications
- Equation Specifications

Supplementary Information

Discrete items of the Supplementary Information (for example, figures, tables) referred to at an appropriate point in the main text of the chapter.

Summary diagram/figure included as part of the Supplementary Information (optional).

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