

Abstract

Objectives

- State the problem under investigation, including main hypotheses.

Participants

- Describe subjects (nonhuman animal research) or participants (human research), specifying their pertinent characteristics for the study; in animal research, include genus and species. Participants are described in greater detail in the body of the paper.

Study Method

- Describe the study method, including
 - research design (e.g., experiment, observational study)
 - sample size
 - materials used (e.g., instruments, apparatus)
 - outcome measures
 - data-gathering procedures, including a brief description of the source of any secondary data. If the study is a secondary data analysis, so indicate.