

Checklist

Introduction

- Does your introduction go from broad (topic) to specific (your research)?
- Did you make clear why your topic is important?
- Did you describe just enough research so that readers can understand how your research is the next logical step?
- Did you make clear how your research is novel?
- Did you make clear what is speculation and what are established facts?
- Did you add citations for everything you present as facts?
- Did you use common scientific jargon?
- Did you explain the jargon you use?

Method

- Did you describe everything that is needed to replicate your research?
- Did you cite the sources of your methods or paradigms?

Results

- Did you describe everything that is needed to replicate your results?
- Did you describe all pre-processing steps before the main analyses?
- Did you mention to which research question each analyses belongs?
- Did you avoid interpreting your results?
- Did you add figures for make your key results easy to understand (or are they very simple)?
- Did you add tables for extensive amounts of (numerical) information?

Discussion

- Does your discussion go from specific (interpretation) to broad (implications)?
- Did you draw conclusions with reservations? (“A *possible* interpretation is...”)
- If you expressed a preference for one explanation over another, did provide clear support for this preference?
- Did you describe how your research connects to previous research?
- Did you make clear what your research adds to existing research?
- Did you describe how your research advance our understanding or how they may inspire future applications?
- Did you clearly admit limitations before qualifying them?
- Did you remind the reader of the value/implications of your research at the end?
- Did you include some pointers for future research? (optional)

Editing

- Are there parts you could remove or shorten?
- Does every paragraph have a clear message?
- Did you keep your wording consistent?
- Did you provide a citation for everything you present as a fact (or presented it as speculation)?
- Did you use signal words for conflicts, inferences, explanations, etc.?