

Template and Guidelines for Using L^AT_EX in

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Abstract

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Introduction

7 The quick red fox jumps over the lazy brown dog. Furthermore, the quick brown fox jumps
8 over the lazy red dog. In addition, the quick Rüppell's fox (*Vulpes rueppellii*) jumps over the lazy
9 golden retriever.

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Methods

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18 Nunc interdum lorem sit amet diam volutpat tristique. Quisque pulvinar ac metus commodo
19 lacinia (Inglis et al. 2011; Xiao et al. 2015).

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21 Usually two or three levels of heading will be all you need. Journal style even permits a fourth
22 level in case you need it.

23 *Fourth-order heading.* The quick red fox jumps over the lazy brown dog in this paragraph as well.
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25 erat sollicitudin volutpat.

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Results

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The height of the jump

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The laziness of the dog

Example paragraph with embedded references (video S1, fig. 2). If you have deposited data to Dryad, it is advisable to cite them somewhere in the main text (usually in the Methods or Results sections). A sentence like the following will do: All data are available in the Dryad Digital Repository (Cook et al. 2015).

Discussion

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Conclusion

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Statement of Authorship

OEC conceived the experiments, collected the data, and wrote the original draft. GHC provided specimens and analyzed the model. AQE oversaw data analysis and developed the code. All authors reviewed and edited the writing at all stages of revision.

Data and Code Availability

On initial submission, you may use this section to provide a URL for editors and reviewers that is ‘private for peer review’. After acceptance, this section must be updated with correct, working DOIs for data and code deposits (such as in Zenodo, Dryad, or DataVerse). An example statement could resemble the following: All data and code for this work are available from the Dryad Digital Repository, Cook et al. 2015).

Appendix A: Additional Methods and Parameters

Fox–dog encounters through the ages

The quick red fox jumps over the lazy brown dog. The quick red fox has always jumped over the lazy brown dog. The quick red fox began jumping over the lazy brown dog in the 19th century and has never ceased from so jumping, as we shall see in figure A1. But there can be surprises (figure A2).

If the order and location of figures is not otherwise clear, feel free to include explanatory dummy text like this:

[Figure A1 goes here.]

[Figure A2 goes here.]

Further insights

Tables in the appendices can appear in the appendix text (see table A1 for an example), unlike appendix figure legends which should be grouped at the end of the document together with the other figure legends.

Table A1: Various rivers, cities, and animals

River	City	Animal
Chicago	Chicago	Raccoon
Des Plaines	Joliet	Coyote
Illinois	Peoria	Cardinal
Kankakee	Bourbonnais	White-tailed deer
Mississippi	Galena	Bald eagle

Note: See table 1 below for further table formatting hints.

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, as we have seen in figures A1 and A2.

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Tables

Table 1: Founders of *The American Naturalist*

Early editor	Years with the journal
Alpheus S. Packard Jr.	1867–1886
Frederick W. Putnam	1867–1874
Edward S. Morse	1867–1871
Alpheus Hyatt	1867–1871
Edward Drinker Cope ^a	1878–1897
J. S. Kingsley	1887–1896

Note: Table titles should be short. Further details should go in a ‘notes’ area after the tabular environment, like this.

^a Published the first description of *Dimetrodon*.

Figure legends

Figure 1: Figure legends can be longer than the titles of tables. However, they should not be excessively long—in most cases, they should be no more than 100 words each.

Figure 2: In this way, figure legends can be listed at the end of the document, with references that work, even though the graphic itself should be included for final files after acceptance. Instead, upload the relevant figure files separately to Editorial Manager; Editorial Manager should insert them at the end of the PDF automatically.

Figure A1: *A*, the quick red fox proceeding to jump 20 m straight into the air over not one, but several lazy dogs. *B*, the quick red fox landing gracefully despite the skepticism of naysayers.

Figure A2: The quicker the red fox jumps, the likelier it is to land near an okapi. For further details, see Fastovsky (2009).

Video S1: Video legends can follow the same principles as figure legends. Counters should be set and reset so that videos and figures are enumerated separately.