LaTeX Template Customization Guide

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1 Color Customization

Colors are defined at the beginning of the template using RGB values:

```
\definecolor{mainblue}{RGB}{0, 75, 150}
\definecolor{sectioncolor}{RGB}{0, 90, 180}
\definecolor{subsectioncolor}{RGB}{70, 70, 70}
```

To change colors:

- Replace RGB values (each number ranges from 0-255)
- First number: Red
- Second number: Green
- Third number: Blue

Example modifications:

```
% For dark blue
\definecolor{mainblue}{RGB}{0, 51, 102}

% For forest green
\definecolor{sectioncolor}{RGB}{34, 139, 34}

% For charcoal gray
\definecolor{subsectioncolor}{RGB}{54, 69, 79}
```

2 Title Block Formatting

2.1 Title Size

Change the title size by modifying `\LARGE` in:

```
\pretitle{%
    \begin{flushleft}
    \color{mainblue}\LARGE\bfseries
}
```

Available sizes (from smallest to largest):

- \tiny
- \scriptsize
- \footnotesize
- \small
- \normalsize
- \large
- \Large
- \LARGE
- \huge
- \Huge

2.2 Author and Affiliation Spacing

Adjust spacing after author name using `\\[size]`:

```
\author{%
    \textbf{$author$}\\[0.3em]
    \small{\textcolor{subsectioncolor}{$affiliation$}}
}
```

- Increase space: `\\[0.5em]`
- Decrease space: `\\[0.2em]`

3 Section Formatting

3.1 Section Style

Modify section appearance:

```
\titleformat{\section}
    {\color{sectioncolor}\normalfont\Large\bfseries}
    {}{0em}
    {}
    [\vspace{0.5em}]
```

- Change font size: Replace `\Large`
- Remove bold: Remove `\bfseries`
- Change color: Replace `\color{sectioncolor}`

3.2 Section Spacing

Adjust space around sections:

```
\titlespacing{\section}{0pt}{2em}{1em}
```

Format: `\titlespacing{command}{left}{before}{after}`

- Increase space before: Change `2em` to larger value
- Decrease space after: Change `1em` to smaller value

4 Page Layout

4.1 Margins

Change page margins:

`\usepackage[margin=1in]{geometry}`

Common margin sizes:

- `margin=1in`
- `margin=2.5cm`
- `margin=25mm`

For different margins on each side:

`\usepackage[left=1in,right=1in,top=1in,bottom=1in]{geometry}`

5 Headers and Footers

5.1 Header Content

Modify header content:

`\fancyhead[L]{\small\textcolor{mainblue}{ELISA Analysis Report}}`
`\fancyhead[R]{\small\textcolor{mainblue}{\thepage}}`

- [L] = Left side
- [R] = Right side
- [C] = Center

5.2 Header/Footer Lines

Adjust line thickness:

`\renewcommand{\headrulewidth}{0.5pt}`
`\renewcommand{\footrulewidth}{0.5pt}`

- Remove lines: Set to `0pt`
- Make thicker: Increase value (e.g., `1pt`)
- Make thinner: Decrease value (e.g., `0.2pt`)

6 List and Paragraph Spacing

6.1 List Spacing

Adjust spacing in lists:

```
\setlist{itemsep=0.2em, parsep=0.2em}
```

- `itemsep`: Space between items
- `parsep`: Space between paragraphs within items

6.2 Paragraph Spacing

Modify paragraph spacing:

```
\setlength{\parskip}{0.5em}
\setlength{\parindent}{0pt}
```

- `\parskip`: Space between paragraphs
- `\parindent`: Paragraph indentation

7 Figure and Table Settings

7.1 Caption Style

Customize captions:

```
\captionsetup{
    font=small,
    labelfont=bf,
    justification=justified,
    margin=1cm
}
```

Font options:

- `font=small/large/normalsize`
- `labelfont=bf/normalfont/it`

7.2 Figure Placement

Control figure positioning:

```latex
\renewcommand{\floatpagefraction}{.9}
\renewcommand{\topfraction}{.9}
```

- Values range from 0 to 1
- Higher values allow more space for figures
- Lower values reserve more space for text

8 Font Settings

8.1 Font Size

Change document base font size in the document class:

```latex
\documentclass[11pt]{article}
```

Options:

- 10pt
- 11pt
- 12pt

8.2 Font Family

Add different font packages:

```latex
\usepackage{times} % For Times New Roman
\usepackage{helvet} % For Helvetica
\usepackage{courier} % For Courier
```

9 Common Measurement Units

- `pt`: Points (1/72 inch)
- `em`: Relative to font size
- `ex`: Relative to 'x' height
- `in`: Inches
- `cm`: Centimeters
- `mm`: Millimeters

Quick Tips

1. Always compile after making changes to check the result
2. Make small changes incrementally
3. Keep a backup of working versions
4. Comment out changes instead of deleting them while testing

> **i** Note
>
> Remember: LaTeX uses two compilations to properly format some elements, so you might need to compile twice to see all changes take effect.