

## **Formatting Instructions for 2026 AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea**

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### Abstract

The abstract paragraph should be indented ½ inch (3 picas) on both the left- and right-hand margins. Use 10 point type, with a vertical spacing (leading) of 11 points. The word **Abstract** must be centered, bold, and in point size 12. Two line spaces precede the abstract. The abstract must be limited to one paragraph.

## **5 1 Submission of papers to 2026 AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea**

<sup>6</sup> This template is based on NeurIPS 2023 template.

7 Please read the instructions below carefully and follow them faithfully.

8 1.1 Style

9 Papers to be submitted to 2026 AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea must be prepared according to the  
10 instructions presented here. Papers may only be up to **nine** pages long, including figures. Additional  
11 pages *containing only acknowledgments and references* are allowed. Papers that exceed the page  
12 limit will not be reviewed, or in any other way considered for presentation at the conference.

<sup>13</sup> The margins are the same as those in previous years of NeurIPS.

<sup>14</sup> Authors are required to use the AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X style files obtainable at the AI  
<sup>15</sup> Co-Scientist Challenge Korea website as indicated below. Please make sure you use the current files  
<sup>16</sup> and not previous versions. Tweaking the style files may be grounds for rejection.

17 1.2 Retrieval of style files

<sup>18</sup> The style files for AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea and other conference information are available on  
<sup>19</sup> the website at

20 <https://aifactory.space/page/ask2026>

21 The file template\_2026.pdf contains these instructions and illustrates the various formatting  
22 requirements your AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea paper must satisfy.

<sup>23</sup> The only supported style file for 2026 AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea is template\_2026.sty,  
<sup>24</sup> rewritten for L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2<sub><</sub>. Previous style files for L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X 2.09, and RTF are no longer supported!

Template for **Microsoft Word** is also available at the same website, but the author's names has to be carefully modified to keep the suggested format: multi-column editing. The users of **Microsoft Word** have to submit two versions of the paper: one with the author's names in the suggested format(`template_2026.docx`) and one with the author's names are anonymized (`template_2026_anonymized.docx`).

30 The L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X style file contains three optional arguments: `final`, which creates a camera-ready copy,  
31 `preprint`, which creates a preprint for submission to, e.g., arXiv, and `nonatbib`, which will not  
32 load the `natbib` package for you in case of package clash.

33 **Preprint option** If you wish to post a preprint of your work online, e.g., on arXiv, using the AI Co-  
34 Scientist Challenge Korea style, please use the `preprint` option. This will create a nonanonymized  
35 version of your work with the text “Preprint. Work in progress.” in the footer. This version may be  
36 distributed as you see fit, as long as you do not say which conference it was submitted to. Please  
37 **do not** use the `final` option, which should **only** be used for papers accepted to AI Co-Scientist  
38 Challenge Korea.

39 At submission time, please omit the `final` and `preprint` options. This will anonymize your  
40 submission and add line numbers to aid review. Please do *not* refer to these line numbers in your  
41 paper as they will be removed during generation of camera-ready copies.

42 The file `template_2026.tex` may be used as a “shell” for writing your paper. All you have to do is  
43 replace the author, title, abstract, and text of the paper with your own.

44 The formatting instructions contained in these style files are summarized in Sections 2, 3, and 4  
45 below.

## 46 **2 General formatting instructions**

47 The text must be confined within a rectangle 5.5 inches (33 picas) wide and 9 inches (54 picas) long.  
48 The left margin is 1.5 inch (9 picas). Use 10 point type with a vertical spacing (leading) of 11 points.  
49 Times New Roman is the preferred typeface throughout, and will be selected for you by default.  
50 Paragraphs are separated by  $\frac{1}{2}$  line space (5.5 points), with no indentation.

51 The paper title should be 17 point, initial caps/lower case, bold, centered between two horizontal  
52 rules. The top rule should be 4 points thick and the bottom rule should be 1 point thick. Allow  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch  
53 space above and below the title to rules. All pages should start at 1 inch (6 picas) from the top of the  
54 page.

55 For the final version, authors’ names are set in boldface, and each name is centered above the  
56 corresponding address. The lead author’s name is to be listed first (left-most), and the co-authors’  
57 names (if different address) are set to follow. If there is only one co-author, list both author and  
58 co-author side by side.

59 Please pay special attention to the instructions in Section 4 regarding figures, tables, acknowledgments,  
60 and references.

## 61 **3 Headings: first level**

62 All headings should be lower case (except for first word and proper nouns), flush left, and bold.

63 First-level headings should be in 12-point type.

### 64 **3.1 Headings: second level**

65 Second-level headings should be in 10-point type.

#### 66 **3.1.1 Headings: third level**

67 Third-level headings should be in 10-point type.

68 **Paragraphs** There is also a `\paragraph` command available, which sets the heading in bold, flush  
69 left, and inline with the text, with the heading followed by 1 em of space.

## 70 **4 Citations, figures, tables, references**

71 These instructions apply to everyone.

72 **4.1 Citations within the text**

73 The `natbib` package will be loaded for you by default. Citations may be author/year or numeric, as  
74 long as you maintain internal consistency. As to the format of the references themselves, any style is  
75 acceptable as long as it is used consistently.

76 The documentation for `natbib` may be found at

77 <http://mirrors.ctan.org/macros/latex/contrib/natbib/natnotes.pdf>

78 Of note is the command `\citet`, which produces citations appropriate for use in inline text. For  
79 example,

80 `\citet{hasselmo} investigated\dots`

81 produces

82 Hasselmo, et al. (1995) investigated...

83 If you wish to load the `natbib` package with options, you may add the following before loading the  
84 `template_2026` package:

85 `\PassOptionsToPackage{options}{natbib}`

86 If `natbib` clashes with another package you load, you can add the optional argument `nonatbib`  
87 when loading the style file:

88 `\usepackage[nonatbib]{template_2026}`

89 As submission is double blind, refer to your own published work in the third person. That is, use "In  
90 the previous work of Jones et al. [4]," not "In our previous work [4]." If you cite your other papers  
91 that are not widely available (e.g., a journal paper under review), use anonymous author names in the  
92 citation, e.g., an author of the form "A. Anonymous" and include a copy of the anonymized paper in  
93 the supplementary material.

94 **4.2 Footnotes**

95 Footnotes should be used sparingly. If you do require a footnote, indicate footnotes with a number<sup>1</sup>  
96 in the text. Place the footnotes at the bottom of the page on which they appear. Precede the footnote  
97 with a horizontal rule of 2 inches (12 picas).

98 Note that footnotes are properly typeset *after* punctuation marks.<sup>2</sup>

99 **4.3 Figures**

100 All artwork must be neat, clean, and legible. Lines should be dark enough for purposes of reproduction.  
101 The figure number and caption always appear after the figure. Place one line space before the figure  
102 caption and one line space after the figure. The figure caption should be lower case (except for first  
103 word and proper nouns); figures are numbered consecutively.

104 You may use color figures. However, it is best for the figure captions and the paper body to be legible  
105 if the paper is printed in either black/white or in color.

106 **4.4 Tables**

107 All tables must be centered, neat, clean and legible. The table number and title always appear before  
108 the table. See Table 1.

109 Place one line space before the table title, one line space after the table title, and one line space after  
110 the table. The table title must be lower case (except for first word and proper nouns); tables are  
111 numbered consecutively.

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<sup>1</sup>Sample of the first footnote.

<sup>2</sup>As in this example.

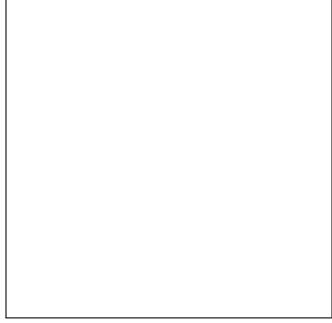


Figure 1: Sample figure caption.

Table 1: Sample table title

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Name	Description	Size ( $\mu\text{m}$ )
Dendrite	Input terminal	$\sim 100$
Axon	Output terminal	$\sim 10$
Soma	Cell body	up to $10^6$

112 Note that publication-quality tables *do not contain vertical rules*. We strongly suggest the use of the  
113 `booktabs` package, which allows for typesetting high-quality, professional tables:

114 <https://www.ctan.org/pkg/booktabs>

115 This package was used to typeset Table 1.

## 116 4.5 Math

117 Note that display math in bare TeX commands will not create correct line numbers for sub-  
118 mission. Please use LaTeX (or AMSTeX) commands for unnumbered display math. (You  
119 really shouldn't be using \$\$ anyway; see <https://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/503/why-is-preferable-to> and <https://tex.stackexchange.com/questions/40492/what-are-the-differences-between-align-equation-and-displaymath> for more infor-  
120 mation.)  
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## 123 4.6 Final instructions

124 Do not change any aspects of the formatting parameters in the style files. In particular, do not modify  
125 the width or length of the rectangle the text should fit into, and do not change font sizes (except  
126 perhaps in the **References** section; see below). Please note that pages should be numbered.

## 127 5 Preparing PDF files

128 Please prepare submission files with paper size "US Letter," and not, for example, "A4."

129 Fonts were the main cause of problems in the past years. Your PDF file must only contain Type 1 or  
130 Embedded TrueType fonts. Here are a few instructions to achieve this.

- 131 • You should directly generate PDF files using `pdflatex`.
- 132 • You can check which fonts a PDF files uses. In Acrobat Reader, select the menu  
133 Files>Document Properties>Fonts and select Show All Fonts. You can also use the program  
134 `pdffonts` which comes with `xpdf` and is available out-of-the-box on most Linux machines.
- 135 • `xfig` "patterned" shapes are implemented with bitmap fonts. Use "solid" shapes instead.

- 136 • The `\bbold` package almost always uses bitmap fonts. You should use the equivalent AMS  
137 Fonts:

138       `\usepackage{amsfonts}`

139 followed by, e.g., `\mathbb{R}`, `\mathbb{N}`, or `\mathbb{C}` for  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ . You can also  
140 use the following workaround for reals, natural and complex:

141       `\newcommand{\RR}{I\!\!R} %real numbers`  
142       `\newcommand{\Nat}{I\!\!N} %natural numbers`  
143       `\newcommand{\CC}{I\!\!C} %complex numbers`

144 Note that `amsfonts` is automatically loaded by the `amssymb` package.

145 If your file contains type 3 fonts or non embedded TrueType fonts, we will ask you to fix it.

## 146 5.1 Margins in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

147 Most of the margin problems come from figures positioned by hand using `\special` or other  
148 commands. We suggest using the command `\includegraphics` from the `graphicx` package.  
149 Always specify the figure width as a multiple of the line width as in the example below:

150       `\usepackage[pdftex]{graphicx} ...`  
151       `\includegraphics[width=0.8\linewidth]{myfile.pdf}`

152 See Section 4.4 in the `graphics` bundle documentation (<http://mirrors.ctan.org/macros/latex/required/graphics/grfguide.pdf>)

153 A number of width problems arise when L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X cannot properly hyphenate a line. Please give LaTeX  
154 hyphenation hints using the `\-` command when necessary.

## 156 References

157 References follow the acknowledgments in the camera-ready paper. Use unnumbered first-level  
158 heading for the references. Any choice of citation style is acceptable as long as you are consistent. It  
159 is permissible to reduce the font size to `small` (9 point) when listing the references. Note that the  
160 Reference section does not count towards the page limit.

161 [1] Alexander, J.A. & Mozer, M.C. (1995) Template-based algorithms for connectionist rule extraction. In  
162 G. Tesauro, D.S. Touretzky and T.K. Leen (eds.), *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 7*, pp.  
163 609–616. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press.

164 [2] Bower, J.M. & Beeman, D. (1995) *The Book of GENESIS: Exploring Realistic Neural Models with the  
165 GENeral NEural SImulation System*. New York: TELOS/Springer–Verlag.

166 [3] Hasselmo, M.E., Schnell, E. & Barkai, E. (1995) Dynamics of learning and recall at excitatory recurrent  
167 synapses and cholinergic modulation in rat hippocampal region CA3. *Journal of Neuroscience* **15**(7):5249-5262.

## 168 A Appendix / supplemental material

169 Optionally include supplemental material (complete proofs, additional experiments and plots) in  
170 appendix. All such materials **SHOULD be included in the main submission**.

## 171 AI Co-Scientist Challenge Korea Paper Checklist

172 The checklist is designed to encourage best practices for responsible machine learning research,  
173 addressing issues of reproducibility, transparency, research ethics, and societal impact. Do not remove  
174 the checklist: **The papers not including the checklist will be desk rejected.** The checklist should  
175 follow the references and follow the (optional) supplemental material. The checklist does NOT count  
176 towards the page limit.

177 Please read the checklist guidelines carefully for information on how to answer these questions. For  
178 each question in the checklist:

- 179 • You should answer [Yes] , [No] , or [N/A] .
- 180 • [N/A] means either that the question is Not Applicable for that particular paper or the  
181 relevant information is Not Available.
- 182 • Please provide a short (1–2 sentence) justification right after your answer (even for NA).

183 **The checklist answers are an integral part of your paper submission.** They are visible to the  
184 reviewers, area chairs, senior area chairs, and ethics reviewers. You will be asked to also include it  
185 (after eventual revisions) with the final version of your paper, and its final version will be published  
186 with the paper.

187 The reviewers of your paper will be asked to use the checklist as one of the factors in their evaluation.  
188 While "[Yes]" is generally preferable to "[No]", it is perfectly acceptable to answer "[No]" provided a  
189 proper justification is given (e.g., "error bars are not reported because it would be too computationally  
190 expensive" or "we were unable to find the license for the dataset we used"). In general, answering  
191 "[No]" or "[N/A]" is not grounds for rejection. While the questions are phrased in a binary way, we  
192 acknowledge that the true answer is often more nuanced, so please just use your best judgment and  
193 write a justification to elaborate. All supporting evidence can appear either in the main paper or the  
194 supplemental material, provided in appendix. If you answer [Yes] to a question, in the justification  
195 please point to the section(s) where related material for the question can be found.

196 **IMPORTANT**, please:

- 197 • **Delete this instruction block, but keep the section heading "AI Co-Scientist Challenge**  
198 **Korea paper checklist",**
- 199 • **Keep the checklist subsection headings, questions/answers and guidelines below.**
- 200 • **Do not modify the questions and only use the provided macros for your answers.**

### 201 1. Claims

202 Question: Do the main claims made in the abstract and introduction accurately reflect the  
203 paper's contributions and scope?

204 Answer: [TODO]

205 Justification: [TODO]

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- 207 • The answer NA means that the abstract and introduction do not include the claims  
208 made in the paper.
- 209 • The abstract and/or introduction should clearly state the claims made, including the  
210 contributions made in the paper and important assumptions and limitations. A No or  
211 NA answer to this question will not be perceived well by the reviewers.
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213 much the results can be expected to generalize to other settings.
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215 are not attained by the paper.

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217 Question: Does the paper discuss the limitations of the work performed by the authors?

218 Answer: [TODO]

219 Justification: [TODO]

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222 the paper has limitations, but those are not discussed in the paper.
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225 violations of these assumptions (e.g., independence assumptions, noiseless settings,  
226 model well-specification, asymptotic approximations only holding locally). The authors  
227 should reflect on how these assumptions might be violated in practice and what the  
228 implications would be.
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234 is low or images are taken in low lighting. Or a speech-to-text system might not be  
235 used reliably to provide closed captions for online lectures because it fails to handle  
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238 and how they scale with dataset size.
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249 a complete (and correct) proof?

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259 proof sketch to provide intuition.
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263 **4. Experimental Result Reproducibility**

264 Question: Does the paper fully disclose all the information needed to reproduce the main ex-  
265 perimental results of the paper to the extent that it affects the main claims and/or conclusions  
266 of the paper (regardless of whether the code and data are provided or not)?

267 Answer: [TODO]

268 Justification: [TODO]

269 Guidelines:

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- Depending on the contribution, reproducibility can be accomplished in various ways. For example, if the contribution is a novel architecture, describing the architecture fully might suffice, or if the contribution is a specific model and empirical evaluation, it may be necessary to either make it possible for others to replicate the model with the same dataset, or provide access to the model. In general, releasing code and data is often one good way to accomplish this, but reproducibility can also be provided via detailed instructions for how to replicate the results, access to a hosted model (e.g., in the case of a large language model), releasing of a model checkpoint, or other means that are appropriate to the research performed.
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- At submission time, to preserve anonymity, the authors should release anonymized versions (if applicable).

- 325           • Providing as much information as possible in supplemental material (appended to the  
326           paper) is recommended, but including URLs to data and code is permitted.

327       **6. Experimental Setting/Details**

328       Question: Does the paper specify all the training and test details (e.g., data splits, hyper-  
329           parameters, how they were chosen, type of optimizer, etc.) necessary to understand the  
330           results?

331       Answer: [TODO]

332       Justification: [TODO]

333       Guidelines:

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335           • The experimental setting should be presented in the core of the paper to a level of detail  
336           that is necessary to appreciate the results and make sense of them.  
337           • The full details can be provided either with the code, in appendix, or as supplemental  
338           material.

339       **7. Experiment Statistical Significance**

340       Question: Does the paper report error bars suitably and correctly defined or other appropriate  
341           information about the statistical significance of the experiments?

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343       Justification: [TODO]

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350           example, train/test split, initialization, random drawing of some parameter, or overall  
351           run with given experimental conditions).  
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356           of the mean.  
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359           of Normality of errors is not verified.  
360           • For asymmetric distributions, the authors should be careful not to show in tables or  
361           figures symmetric error bars that would yield results that are out of range (e.g. negative  
362           error rates).  
363           • If error bars are reported in tables or plots, The authors should explain in the text how  
364           they were calculated and reference the corresponding figures or tables in the text.

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367           puter resources (type of compute workers, memory, time of execution) needed to reproduce  
368           the experiments?

369       Answer: [TODO]

370       Justification: [TODO]

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374           or cloud provider, including relevant memory and storage.

- 375           • The paper should provide the amount of compute required for each of the individual  
376           experimental runs as well as estimate the total compute.  
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378           than the experiments reported in the paper (e.g., preliminary or failed experiments that  
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393           societal impacts of the work performed?

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401           (e.g., disinformation, generating fake profiles, surveillance), fairness considerations  
402           (e.g., deployment of technologies that could make decisions that unfairly impact specific  
403           groups), privacy considerations, and security considerations.  
404           • The conference expects that many papers will be foundational research and not tied  
405           to particular applications, let alone deployments. However, if there is a direct path to  
406           any negative applications, the authors should point it out. For example, it is legitimate  
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408           generate deepfakes for disinformation. On the other hand, it is not needed to point out  
409           that a generic algorithm for optimizing neural networks could enable people to train  
410           models that generate Deepfakes faster.  
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