

QUICK LINKS:

Guidelines for Reporting Research (Writing a Manuscript)

A reporting guideline, as defined by The EQUATOR Network, provides a minimum list of information needed to ensure a manuscript can be, for example:

- Understood by a reader
- Replicated by a researcher
- Used by a doctor to make a clinical decision, and
- Included in a systematic review

Reporting guidelines are more than just some thoughts about what needs to be in an academic paper

The EQUATOR Network

The EQUATOR (Enhancing the QUALity and Transparency Of health Research) Network is a one-stop-shop for writing and publishing high-impact health research and an international initiative that seeks to improve the reliability and value of published health research literature by promoting transparent and accurate reporting and wider use of robust reporting guidelines.

The search engine offers choices of reporting guidelines by Study type and Clinical area to streamline your interest. The listings below are just an example of what is offered.

Randomized trials	CONSORT	Extensions
Observational studies	STROBE	Extensions
Systematic reviews	PRISMA	Extensions
Study protocols	SPIRIT	PRISMA-P
Diagnostic/prognostic studies	STARD	TRIPOD
Case reports	CARE	Extensions
Clinical practice guidelines	AGREE	RIGHT
Qualitative research	SRQR	COREQ
Animal pre-clinical studies	ARRIVE	
Quality improvement studies	SQUIRE	Extensions
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