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1. Introduction

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1. ****Method****
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The full affiliations of all authors should then be listed. Affiliations should include: the department name; the name of the university or company; the name of the city; and the name of the country (e.g., 1Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia).

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* 1. Page Layout

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* 1. Text Font of Entire Document

It is recommended that standardised fonts such as Times New Roman and Arial are used with a font size of 10pt for the main text (see section on figure and table captions below).

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The first level section headings should be in bold font (e.g., “**1. Introduction**”), with the paragraph starting on a new line.

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The second level section headings should be in italic font (i.e., “*2.3 Section Headings*”. The paragraph should start on a new line.

* + 1. Third Level Headings:

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1. Results
   1. Figures

Figures will be reproduced exactly as supplied, with no redrawing or relabelling. It is therefore imperative that the supplied figures are of sufficient quality. The preferred format is encapsulated postscript (.eps) for line figures and .tif for halftone figures with a minimum resolution of 300 dpi (dots per inch). With larger figures, please note that the editorial office may contact you to revise them to ensure they do not exceed half of a page, or so that they fill the entire page. This is because figures between these two lengths may negatively impact production later.

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Figures can span two columns but cannot exceed 17.5cm in width (see Fig. 2).

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*b*

**Fig. 1.** Sample graph with blue (dotted), green (solid) and red (dashed) lines  
**(a)** Caption for subfigure 1, **(b)** Caption for subfigure 2

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* 1. Figure Captions

Figure captions must be below the figure, in no smaller than 10pt italic font. If a figure has subfigures, all subfigures should also have a caption and should be identified by letters, for example, *a*, *b*, *c,* as shown above.

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Tables should be formatted as shown in Table 1 with no column lines unless needed to clarify the content of the table. Row lines can be used to distinguish the column headings from the content of the table. Any tables larger than half a page should be placed in an appendix and the appendix cited within the main body of text, for example: “see Appendix A for table of results”.

If the table has four or five columns it should span the whole width of the page. These should also float to the top or bottom of the page instead of breaking up the main text.

* + 1. Table Captions

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When writing mathematics, avoid confusion between characters that could be mistaken for one another, for example the letter 'l' and the number one.

Refer to equations using round brackets, for example (1) followed by (2).

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**Fig. 2.** Sample graph spanning two columns

Vectors and matrices should be in bold italic and variables in italic.

If your extended abstract contains superscripts or subscripts, take special care to ensure that the positioning of the characters is unambiguous.

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Inline equations can be used but if the equation is longer than a line it will need to be broken up in a suitable location to ensure the line spacing is not too large.

**Table 1** Example table caption

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1. Discussion
   1. References

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* + 1. Referencing Style

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1. Conclusions

Please include conclusions.

1. Acknowledgments

Acknowledgements should be placed after the Conclusion and before the References section. This is where reference to any grant numbers or supporting bodies should be included.

References

Use a standard APA reference list here.

Appendix A

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Appendices should start on a new page.

**Table 2** Example of large table

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