



Tutorial 2

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- STRUCTURE OF LITERATURE REVIEW

Writing Format

Word count 4000

Font: Verdana size 11, all in black, single space

Margins at least 1.25 inches (to permit binding)

Each section should start at the top of a new page

Paragraphs should be made clearly visible; indenting the first line or leaving additional blank line between paragraphs

Word division at the end of line should be avoided

Each page should be numbered

One hard copy and one soft copy are required

Content

1. Cover page or title page should include:

- Title of your project accurately & comprehensively
- Your academic number
- Qualification for which the thesis is submitted
- The department(s) in which it was conducted
- The name of the institution
- Year & semester of submission

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2. Acknowledgment (if any)

3. Dedication (if any)

4. Table of contents:

Should list all the sections, page numbers. Also supply list of figures and tables with their page number

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5. Abbreviations:

List of all abbreviations have used in alphabetical order

Many of these are standard eg. PCR

Do not invent any of your own

The first time you use the abbreviation you **MUST** define it, but then just use the abbreviation

eg; Polymerase chain reaction (PCR)

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6. Glossary of terms:

It may be helpful to include as paper should be clear to both scientists and clinicians

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7. Main text

Each should start in a new page

Include the following:

- Abstract
- Introduction (including aims)
- body of the literature review
- Methodology (if any)
- Conclusion

Content

8. Referencing:

explain in separate tutorial in details

9. Appendices (if any)

10. Indexes (if any)

Tables, Figures and Diagrams

Should all be presented in the text, following the first time it is cited in the text.

All MUST be referred to in the text

Should have a reference number, relating to the section they are in

Should have a clear title at the top, detailed legend at the bottom

Should be self-explanatory

If used from other publication, make sure to quote it

Abstract

Should give a brief summary of your project consist of:

- Introduction
- Aims
- Main points
- Conclusion

Introduction

- Define your topic
- Provide appropriate context for reviewing the literature
- Establish your reasons i.e. point of view (Aim)
- Explain the organization (sequence of the review)
- State the scope of the review; what is included and what isn't

eg; There are a large number of studies of obesity trends in the general population. However, since the focus of the research is on obesity in children, these will not be reviewed in detail and will only referred to as appropriate

Body

To be continued ...