

WRITING A LAB REPORT

In Biology, and other fields of science, it is very important for researchers to be able to clearly communicate the results of their experiments and studies to their colleagues. The reports you will write in this course will be in the same general format that scientists use when they submit papers for publication in scholarly journals. The specific headers and final layout of research articles may vary from journal to journal, but the essential sections are the same for all science articles.

What makes a good lab report?

- A good lab report is written in a very clear and concise style, and it contains all the information described below.
- Good lab reports are also very well organized, and they contain the following sections (in this order):

Abstract
Introduction
Methods
Results
Discussion
References