



Paper submission instructions

You're invited to submit a one page paper.

All papers are to be submitted via the [NBRUC 2026 paper submission portal](#) by **Friday 26 September 2025**.

You are invited to submit a one page paper within one of the following themes:

- Beef cattle production, management and sustainability
- Pasture, rangelands and ecosystem services
- Technology, data, animal welfare
- Human capacity, social science, extension.

The content of the one page papers will not be peer-reviewed but layout and format will be checked by the Program Sub-committee. The one page papers will appear in the conference proceedings.

The conference organisers will advise you:

- if your paper has been accepted for the proceedings and
- if you will deliver a three minute or ten minute oral presentation.

Presentation types

Three minute oral presentation with three slides. The first slide should introduce your topic. The second slide should present the main points of your topic. The final slide should discuss the impact of your topic. Presentations will be given from the podium and there will be no deviation from the allotted time. Questions will be taken at the end of the session. Each short oral presenter will be required to provide a 3 slide PowerPoint presentation as well as a one page paper (no paper, no oral presentation).

Ten minute oral presentation with a maximum of 10 slides including opening slide and acknowledgments if appropriate. Presentations will be given from the podium and there will be no deviation from the allotted time. Group panel discussion at the end of a block of presentations, i.e. questions are held until the panel session where they can be open to sessions speakers collectively. Each 10 minute oral presenter will be required to provide a PowerPoint presentation as well as a one page paper (no paper, no oral presentation).

Instructions

Please read the **Guide for one page paper** instructions below and use the **template** provided on the website to prepare your paper.

Guide for one page paper

Manuscript style - general

The layout and formatting style are based on Animal Production Science.
Manuscripts are to be prepared in MS Word.

Page setup

Paper: A4

Margins: top, bottom, left and right: 2.5cm each

Gutter: 0

Header and footer: 1.0 cm each. Do not enter anything in the header and footer; these will be used by the editor for running page headers and line numbers

Font: Calibri

Font size: 11 point except in cases specified below

Styles

The template you have received includes a set of custom Word styles for every element of your manuscript. Authors must use these styles as-provided and must not apply manual formatting (font changes, direct indents, spacing adjustments, etc.), unless detailed below.

To apply the correct style, open the Home → Styles gallery in Word and select the appropriate style name listed. All required line breaks (e.g. between the title and author names, before and after headings, above tables) are built into these styles. There should be no need to insert or delete blank lines manually.

Headings

Dealing with research projects should include Title, Introduction, Methods, Results, Discussion/Conclusions and References (should any be cited). Other types of papers should have a Title and, at least, have an Introduction.

Type all headings in lower case letters with only the first letter of the first word plus any proper name capitalised.

The paper title is to be centred, have a font size of 14 point and be in bold style.

Headings (Introduction, Methods, etc.) are on a separate line, start at the left margin, have 12 point font size, bold style and no full stop at the end.

Headings should be separated from the previous section by a 7-point line.

Author organisation and location

Author names are to be typed centred under the paper title, separated by a 7-point line from the title, in 10 point font size and italic style. Capitalised alphabetic superscripts (A, B, etc) after each name are to be used to indicate locations and corresponding author.

Author organisation and location are to be typed centred under the author names, separated by a separated by a 7-point line, in 10 point font size and normal style. Each location and the corresponding author are to be preceded by the appropriate superscript relating them to the author.

Corresponding author (see previous paragraph and Animal Production Science format)

Include an email address in 10 point font size at bottom left of the paper of the author to be contacted for further information. Remove the hyperlink from the email address, if present.

Paper length

Maximum length of the paper is one A4 page.

Paragraphs

No blank lines between paragraphs.

First line of each paragraph is to be indented by a 0.5cm tab except for lists.

Justification: full (left and right).

Line spacing: single (no additional spacing before and after).

Footnotes: place these in the text area of the page, not in the page footer.

Numbers: In the text, type all numbers as numerals except at the start of a sentence. In headings, spell out the numbers from 1 to 9.

Figures

Each figure should be embedded in the appropriate place within the manuscript. Square text wrapping is permitted, however, the figure within one section. A caption containing the figure number and legend should be placed below the figure and separated from it by a blank line. In both the text and captions refer to the figures using the abbreviation "Fig." and Arabic numerals (e.g. Fig. 1). The captions, including figure label, are to be left and right justified in 11 point font size. The figure labels are in bold style and followed by a full stop (e.g. **Fig. 1.**). Continue the legend on the same line with the keys to symbols used appearing in the legend and not on the face of the figure. Do not rely on colours to distinguish lines or areas in the figures as printed editions of the proceedings will be in greyscale.

Tables

Tables should be inserted in the appropriate place in the text. Each table is to have a title comprising the table number (e.g. **Table 1.**) and a description ending with a full stop, all in bold, 11 point type. The table is to be separated from its title by one blank line. Content in the body of the table is to be in 10 point type. Only the first letter of the first word and proper names of row or column headings, or in table entries, should be in capitals. The dimensions of units should be shown in the headings in brackets. However, if this is not possible, they may be inserted into the body of the table. Where the measure of variation is presented in a separate column or row, \pm should not be repeated before each value. There should be no vertical rulings between columns. Superscripts (alphabet capitals) should be clearly indicated, with notations being immediately below the table. When tables are referred to in the text they should be typed with a capital e.g. Table 1.

Nomenclature and units

Present all results in metric (S.I.) units

Time of day must be indicated by the 24 hour clock.

Use kg/ha, g/m², kg/ha.day etc.

The format for dates is 30 November 2020.

Time units should be expressed in full, e.g. day, second (not d, sec).

References

Within the text references should be restricted to the authors' names followed by the year of publication. They should conform to the following examples. (Smith 1984), (Smith *et al.* 1986), (Smith 1984a, 1984b; Smith and Jones 1990; Robert *et al.* 1992).

Reference list should be written in 10 point font. Considering the one page limit you may list references as follows:

References

Holroyd RG, Bertram J, Fitzpatrick LA, Fordyce G, McGowan MR, Jayawardhana G, Miller R, Doogan VJ, De Faveri J (1998) Bull selection and use in northern Australia (Bull Power). Final Report, Project DAQ.104, Meat Research Corporation, Sydney.

Schatz T, Hearnden M, Wheeler J (2022) Crossbreeding with a tropically adapted *Bos taurus* breed (Senepol) to improve meat quality and production from Brahman herds in northern Australia. 2. Female performance. *Animal Production Science* 62(13) 1219-1228

Gilbert R, Ouwerkerk D, Negara W, Schatz T, Klieve A and McCosker K (2019) Shifting cattle from grazing extensive pastures to floodplain pastures in the Northern Territory: Effect on rumen microbial communities. 2019 NBRUC Conference Proceedings No. 212. P. 48.
<http://www.nabrc.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/NBRUC-Conference-Proceedings.pdf>

University of California (1996) Tomato pest management guidelines. University of California Pest Management Guidelines, Publication 154. [Online] (Available on-line with updates at <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/selectnewpest.tomatoes.html>) (verified 30 November 1998)

Change to:

Holroyd *et al.* (1998) Final Report, Project DAQ.104, Meat Research Corporation, Sydney.

Schatz *et al.* (2022) Animal Production Science 62(13) 1219-1228

Gilbert *et al.* (2019) 2019 NBRUC Proceedings No. 212. <http://www.nabrc.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/NBRUC-Conference-Proceedings.pdf>

University of California (1996) <http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/selectnewpest.tomatoes.html>
cited 30/11/1998)