



# Writing for academic and professional journals

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## Learning objectives

- Describe the process of writing a research manuscript for publication in academic and professional journals
- Understand different writing styles
- How to transform research findings into a publishable paper





# Writing









#### **Content of the session**

- Transforming your research findings into publishable papers
- Selecting a suitable journal(s)
- Writing styles and processes





### **Start writing now**

Write one sentence with your key message

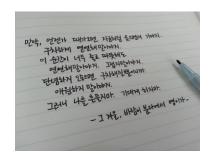






# Writing plan or writing map

 One piece of paper – write or draw the outline of your paper







# Selecting a suitable journal

- Purpose and remit of journal check website
- Readership
- Focus methods?
- Fees
- Language
- National/international
- Impact factors and reach





# Many journals – how to select the most appropriate one for your paper?







# Check the aims and scope of each journal

### Aims and Scope

Palliative Medicine is a highly ranked, peer-reviewed scholarly journal dedicated to improving knowledge and clinical practice in the palliative care of patients with far advanced disease. It reflects the multidisciplinary approach that is the hallmark of effective palliative care.

This outstanding journal features:

- Editorials
- · Original papers
- Review articles
- · Case reports
- Correspondence
- Journal abstracts







# Check the intended readership

Essential reading for all members of the palliative care team:

- Doctors
- Nurses
- Physiotherapists
- Psychologists
- · Social workers
- The clergy
- Occupational therapists

A practical journal to assist you with the palliative care of patients.







### Journal requirements

- Check on 'house style'
- Language use (UK or US English are different!)
- What types of 'methods' do they publish?
- Impact factors?
- Read a few published papers in the journal





# Download the author guidelines, read them carefully and follow them precisely

Manuscript Submission Guidelines:

Palliative Medicine Instructions to authors

At *Palliative Medicine* we want to publish the highest possible quality of papers. Our instructions to authors therefore focus on what we want you to do to enhance the quality of your research reporting. We only publish around 20% of papers submitted to us, so paying attention to high quality research reporting will enhance the chance of us being interested in your paper.







# Writing blocks and strategies

- There will never be enough time
- Prevarication
- Small chunks
- Free writing
- Set yourself writing goals
- Writing activities in a group
- Reward yourself







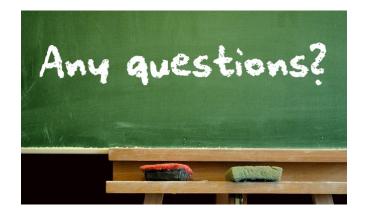








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