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GUIDELINES FOR ANNUAL REPORT PREPARATION

General information

The scientific report must be prepared according to the template and must not exceed 10 pages, including figures, schemes, tables and references. It should be clear and straightforward, while avoiding excessive technical complexity. The report will be evaluated based on the following criteria: (a) Is the scientific context of the research clearly illustrated? (b) Are the results clearly presented and discussed? (c) Do tables and figures show data in a clear, correct and effective way? Are references properly reported?

Abstract

Briefly describe the research carried out during the year, using a language suitable for scientists who are not experts in the specific field. Do not include schemes, figures and references.

Introduction

Provide a brief introduction to the scientific context of the research topic, emphasizing its relevance and the open scientific questions. Explain how the research project is connected to the field and aims to address existing knowledge gaps. Summarize how the research conducted during the year relates to previous and planned research of the PhD project.

Results and discussion

This section should form a major part of the report. Present only the results obtained during the year and, in the case of collaborative work, clearly highlight your specific contribution. Use tables and figures to show the results in a clear, correct (e.g. units, significant digits) and effective way. Discuss the results providing sound explanations and comparison with the literature. Avoid detailed description of experimental procedures, unless they are essential for understanding the results.

References

References should be numbered sequentially in the order they appear in the text, with each reference assigned a unique number. List all references included in the report using a consistent format (e.g., ACS style).