



Design4Health

D4H24 style guide for paper submissions

- The maximum word count for paper submissions is 1200 words including all text except the title and author details.
- The language of the conference is English and all submissions should be in English. If English is not your first language, it may be helpful to have someone check the written English before submission.
- Spelling should follow English not American style, but with 'ize' for words such as organise, (not for words which keep 'ise' such as 'advertise').
- References should use the [Chicago author-date](#) system of referencing. This system is used for Design For Health journal. Only include references which are cited in the text.
- Abstracts (not posters) will be double blind reviewed; please do not include your name or affiliation or any other identifying information anywhere in the abstract.
- The following **unnumbered** heading styles may be used:
 - Level 1 heading - Bold Initial Caps
 - Level 2 heading - Bold Italic Initial Caps
 - Level 3 heading - Non-bold Italic Initial Caps
 - Level 4 heading - Non-bold Italic Initial Cap. Text runs on. All ranged left, numbers should not be included, no indent below.
- Single quotes should be used, with double quotes for quotes within quotes.
- Numbers should be written in words for one to ten (e.g. 'ten') and in figures over ten (e.g. '12').
- Foot notes may be used.
- Tables. Tables should present new information rather than duplicating what is in the text. Readers should be able to interpret the table without reference to the text.
- Up to 6 figures may be included. They should be placed directly in the appropriate place in abstract when you submit online at Oxford Abstracts. Please ensure you include a caption and any relevant credits (you should have permission to use any images you include).
- Accepted abstracts will be published online at the conference.

Referencing

We use the [Chicago author-date](#) system of referencing, using this guidance from Taylor & Francis. References are listed by author surname and then date. References, if included, are part of the overall word count of 1200 words. Only list the references cited within your abstract.

Here are some common examples:

Journal articles

Backonja, U., L. Taylor-Swanson, A. D. Miller, S.-H. Jung, S. Haldar, and N. F. Woods. 2021. "There's a Problem, Now What's the Solution?": Suggestions for Technologies to Support the Menopausal Transition from Individuals Experiencing Menopause and Healthcare Practitioners." *Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association* 28 (2): 209–221. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jamia/ocaa178>

Godfrey-Isaacs, Laura. 2021. "Maternal Journal: Creative Journaling to Support Mental Health and Wellbeing." *International Journal of Birth & Parent Education* 8 (4): 5–8.

Kumar, A., P. Khattar, V. K. Tiwari, J. P. Shivdasani, N. Dhar, and D. Nandan. 2009. "An Assessment of Functioning of Mobile Medical Units in Jharkhand." *Indian Journal of Public Health* 53 (3): 157–160.

Wurtz, Heather M., Sarah S. Willen, and Katherine A. Mason. 2022. "Introduction: Journaling and Mental Health during COVID-19: Insights from the Pandemic Journaling Project." *SSM-Mental Health* 2: 100141. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssmmh.2022.100141>

Books

Langley, A., and H. Tsoukas. 2016. *The Sage Handbook of Process Organization Studies*. London: SAGE Publications.

Reports

United Kingdom Parliament. 2022. "Menopause and the Workplace: First Report of Session 2022–23." (House of Commons, Women and Equalities Committee 91). U. K. Parliament <https://committees.parliament.uk/publications/23281/documents/169819/default/>.

Citation examples

Some examples of how to cite a reference in your text. N.b. there is no comma before the year of publication. For example:

Langley and Tsoukas (2016) call this a 'configuration study' that focuses on mapping the flow of events....

While this work adopts a practice-based research approach, it complements other research on pandemic journaling (Wurtz, Willen, and Mason 2022) and maternal journaling (Godfrey-Isaacs 2021).

If a page number is included, it should follow a comma after the year of publication. For example:

In the UK, women of menopausal age are the fastest growing group in the workforce (United Kingdom Parliament 2022, 3).

If quoting more than three authors, use 'et al.' (et al. is an abbreviation for *et alia*, meaning *and others*). For example:

The concept of Mobile Medical Units has also been found to be very successful in providing health services to the poor and underserved areas of India (Kumar et al. 2009).

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Wilke van Beest, Wouter P. C. Boon, Daan Andriessen, Marieke Zielhuis, Gerrita van der Veen & Ellen H. M. Moors (2023) How to involve potential users in eHealth innovation: seven strategies from healthcare and design, Design for Health, DOI: [10.1080/24735132.2023.2266163](https://doi.org/10.1080/24735132.2023.2266163)

Sally Sutherland (2023) Motherhood, COVID-19, and the postgraduate research experience: personal practice-based design insights, Design for Health, DOI: [10.1080/24735132.2023.2272470](https://doi.org/10.1080/24735132.2023.2272470)

Katherine Moline & Teena Clerke (2023) Design research for menopause: a scoping review, Design for Health, DOI: [10.1080/24735132.2023.2265714](https://doi.org/10.1080/24735132.2023.2265714)

Md Haseen Akhtar & Janakarajan Ramkumar (2023) A design-led PhD endeavour through covid: be empathetic to be creative – see. *Feel. Act!*, Design for Health, DOI: [10.1080/24735132.2023.2266940](https://doi.org/10.1080/24735132.2023.2266940)

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