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Resumen

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Introduction

Contextualize the topic, present relevant background, and establish the study's objective, as well as reviewing the existing literature to highlight the significance and novelty of the research.

Materials and methods

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Results and discussion

Present and objectively analyze the study's findings, followed by an interpretation that links them to the existing literature. Discuss the practical and theoretical implications of the study, as well as its limitations.

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Conclusions

Summarize the most important findings, highlight their relevance, analyze their implications, and propose possible directions for future research. This section closes the article, emphasizing its contributions to the field.

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