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Abstract

Write a single 200–250 word paragraph covering: context (brief summary of the introduction), aim/purpose, methods (design, data, analysis), results/findings (key quantitative effects or qualitative themes), conclusion, contribution (theoretical/methodological/substantive), and implications (policy/practice/future research). Avoid citations and undefined abbreviations.

Keywords: concept 1; concept 2; concept 3; concept 4; concept 5

List 5–7 conceptual terms in alphabetical order; no place names. Separate with semicolons.

Introduction

Background — Motivate the topic with recent, credible sources.

Literature review —Integrate literature here (do not create a separate 'Literature Review' heading).

State of the Art — Map the leading theories, methods, and findings; clarify consensus and disagreements.

Research Gap — Identify precisely what is missing, under-measured, or contested; avoid vague gaps.

Research Problem and Questions/Hypotheses — State the research questions and/or hypotheses clearly.

Contribution — Specify novelty (theory, method, data, or boundary conditions).

Optionally, add a final paragraph outlining the paper structure.

Method

Design — Specify the research design (e.g., survey, field experiment, comparative case study, ethnography).

Data & Setting — Describe data sources, time frame, access/collection procedures.

Sampling/Case Selection — Frame, criteria, size; provide power or saturation logic where appropriate.

Measures/Variables or Constructs — Define and justify; report reliability/validity where relevant.

Analytic Strategy — Describe models/estimators and identification strategy (quantitative) or coding/analytical approach (qualitative).

Ethics — Institutional Review Board/ethics approval, informed consent, and confidentiality/anonymization procedures where relevant

Method-bound Limitations — Briefly acknowledge constraints tied to design or measurement.

Results / Findings

Provide a clear account of 'what' was found, 'how' it was established, and 'why' it matters. Organize by themes/results with rich evidence (tables, figures, and where applicable, interview quotes).

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Discussion / Analysis

Positioning — Compare your results with relevant studies in the existing literature review, showing where they align or diverge, and explain why.

Synthesis — Integrate the evidence to explain implications for the central theory/mechanism.

Implications — Theoretical refinements and clear practical/policy takeaways for stakeholders.

Limitations — Scope, generalizability, biases, and data constraints distinct from method-bound limits.

Conclusion

Answer the Aim — Directly address the research questions/hypotheses stated in the introduction.

Key Contributions — One to two sentences on novelty and value.

Limitations — Briefly reiterate the most consequential limitations.

Future Research — Provide specific, feasible directions (data, methods, mechanisms).

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State any potential conflicts or write: "The authors declare no conflict of interest."

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\square Conclusion answers aims, notes limits, and proposes future research.
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