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# Introduction

The main purpose of an introduction is to outline the rationale for the paper, its objectives, and summarise key background information to provide context to the new work being presented in the main body of the abstract.

# Main body

The contents of the main body will vary but is likely to include two or more of:

* Material studied;
* Area descriptions;
* Methods, Techniques;
* Results;
* Discussion;
* Conclusion;
* Acknowledgements; and
* References.

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Tables and figures may span both columns if necessary.

Table    Formatting requirements

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| **Feature** | **Requirements** |
| Paper size | A4 |
| Margins | 2 cm (top, bottom, left and right) |
| Layout | Abstract text is the width of the page.Main paper is to be in two-column format. |
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$E=mc^{2}$ (1)

where E = energy; m = mass; and c = speed of light.

# Discussion and Conclusion

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[1] Allen, A.B., Jones C.D. and Roberts E.F. (Date). Article Title, Journal, volume, pp. 1-10.

[2] Jones, C.D., Smith A.B. and Roberts E.F. (Date). Book Title, Publisher, pp 440.

[3] Jones, D. (1994), Dredge data collection, in: Brown L. J., Goldsmith P. M., and Bull I. R. (Eds), Townsville Port Authority Capital Dredging Works 1993: Environmental Monitoring Program, pp. 125–147, Townsville Port Authority, Townsville.

[4] Smith, E. and Jones, A. (1997), Are beaches getting longer?, Proceedings of the 1997 meeting of the Australasian Marine Sciences Society (3-6 July, Sydney), p.146.

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