

Portuguese Journal of Dermatology and Venereology

Guidelines for graphical abstracts (graph-abs)

1. Structure and format

- **Layout:** Horizontal format only, in PowerPoint.
- **Sections:** Divide into key study elements (e.g., objectives, methods, results, conclusion).
- **Font:** Arial recommended; other fonts allowed for aesthetic purposes.
- **Font sizes:**
 - **Title:** size 60, bold, max. Two lines.
 - **Section headings** (e.g., introduction, results): size 50, bold, all caps.
 - **Subtitles:** size 45-50, lowercase, bold.
 - **Body text:** size 35-45 (preferably 45).
 - **Image/table footnotes:** size 25-35.
- **Readability:** Ensure logical flow (e.g., top to bottom, left to right).
- **Author name:** Italicized, size 30, lower left corner (first author + "et al.").

2. Visual elements

- Include relevant visuals (e.g., graphs, charts, images, diagrams).
- Use a clear, visually appealing color scheme.
- Label visuals concisely and ensure captions are brief.
- Maintain a consistent color palette.

3. Consistency with article

- Ensure alignment with the article's content.
- Use consistent terminology, symbols, and abbreviations.
- Base on the written abstract but adapt to enhance reader interest.
- Follow journal guidelines and dimensions.
- Ensure all authors approve the final version before submission.

4. Engagement

- Design to attract attention and highlight key innovations.
- Focus on key findings; avoid excessive detail.
- Base the summary on the abstract, but adjust, add, or remove information if needed to capture the reader's attention.

5. Adherence to PJDV style:

- Adhere to the guidelines and dimensions provided by the journal.
- Make sure the Graph-Abs complies with the editorial design requirements.

6. File format and resolution:

- We strongly recommend that you use the Canva platform to create the Graph-Abs (www.canva.com), with a height of 2000 pixels and a width of 3500 pixels.

7. Submission process:

- Once you have finished the design, submit it along with your manuscript and other required files through the online manuscript submission process.