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SciFlow: A Useful Tool for Scientific Writing and Formatting



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What is SciFlow?

Short introduction

- Browser-based online text editor for scientists and students
- German company
- Already in use at several other research institutions



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Why to use SciFlow?

What it aims at simplifying

- Formatting is time consuming (52h per person and year¹) and can be frustrating
- Collaboration is complicated:
 - Many manuscript versions are sent around via email
 - Co-authors use different tools for text editing and literature management
- Backup management needs extra efforts



solves these issues

– or at least simplifies the process of writing, citing and formatting

u^b How does it work?

All tools in one place for writing, citing and editing

Templates for theses and papers

Integrated spell checker

Allows for LaTeX equations

Good help functions incl. chat-box

~5000 journal templates available. If not: template will be added upon request.

(Re-)Formatting on one click

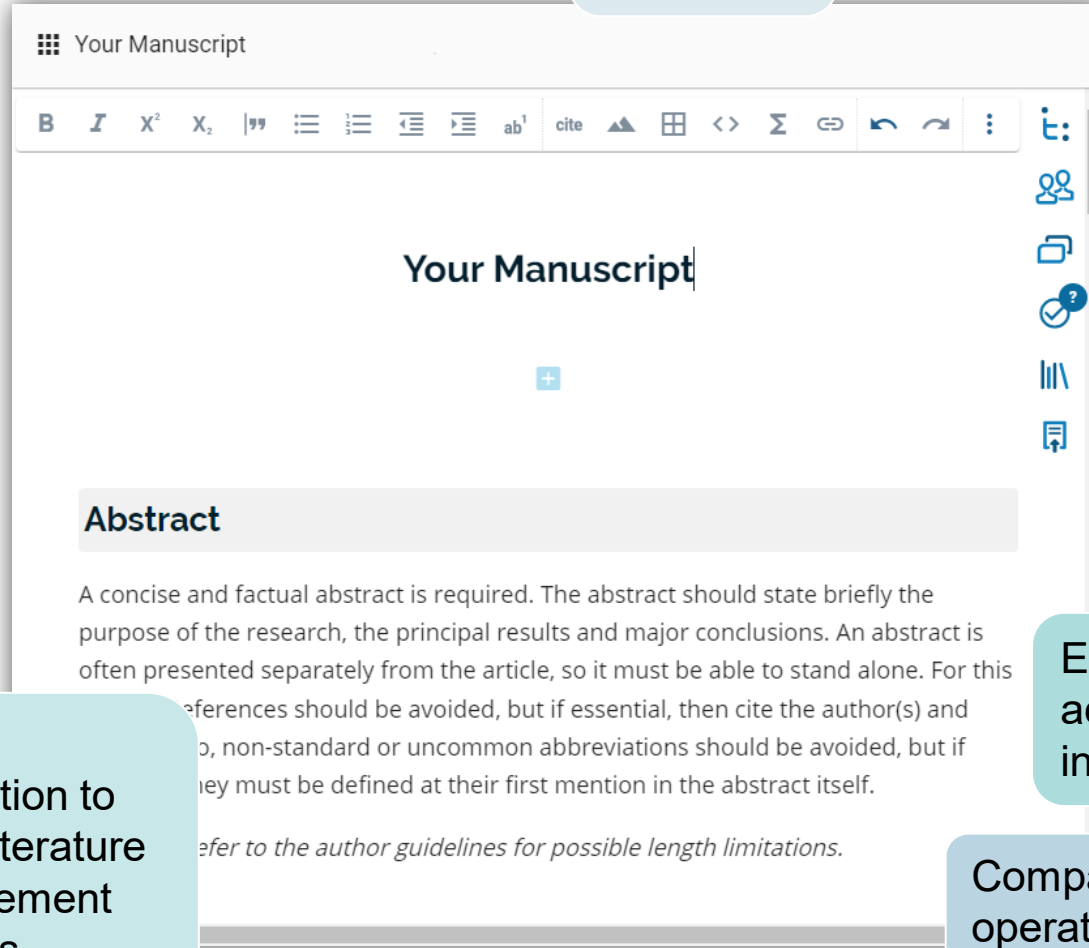
Quick changes between different styles and formats

Allows for real-time collaborative writing

Transparent track changes

Automated backups

Direct connection to major literature management systems.



Pro-version open to all members of Bern University

No installations needed.

Everyone with access to internet can join

Data are securely stored in Germany, no commercial use of user data.

Compatible with all operating systems.

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Getting started

Access to SciFlow at University Bern

<https://sciflow.net/de/unibe/start>

→ Register to get an account



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Zum Schreiben, Verbessern und Formatieren Deiner wissenschaftlichen Texte mit der SciFlow
Authoring Platform

Registriere Dich mit deiner institutionellen E-Mail-Adresse.

email@(...).unibe.ch*

Anmelden mit E-Mail

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Getting started

Live Demo



u^b For new SciFlow users

Tips and take home messages

- Regularly save revisions: as backup and for tracking changes
- Fill in your author profile and adjust your preferences
- Actively use the support function
- Ask for journal templates if they do not exist yet
- Let us know if anything does not work appropriately

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More information about SciFlow

Next workshops and courses

Workshop

March 31, Uni Mittelstrasse: <https://agenda.ub.unibe.ch/de/event/153>

Webinars

- For students at the University of Bern: Wed, June 7, 11:00
- For scientists at the University of Bern: Wed, June 14, 11:00

Details will soon be announced.

General webinars on SciFlow homepage (incl. screencasts):

<https://sciflow.net/de/all/webinars>

u^b Thank you for listening

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Questions & Discussion

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u^b SciFlow Pro Features

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- Custom **institutional thesis and assignment** templates
- **Journal templates** can be requested from us as you need them
- **Chat support** for all your questions
- Regular **webinars** help with potential questions
- **Change Tracking** (see what changed and who did it)
- **Text check** by Duden-Mentor (DE) and LanguageTool (EN)

Backup

Track Changes



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~~Test Manuscript~~ This is my demo paper

Abstract

A concise and factual abstract is required. The abstract should state briefly the purpose of the research, the principal results and major conclusions. An abstract is often presented separately from the article, so it must be able to stand alone. For this reason, References should be avoided, but if essential, then cite the author's name. Abbreviations should be avoided, but standard or uncommon abbreviations should be defined at their first mention in the

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