



Guidance for SCORING abstracts for BDA Research Symposium Stream awards

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Background clearly described with justification for the work.	Background is not relevant to the study	The issue is poorly described	The issue is described well	The issue is described concisely and efficiently		
Study aim makes the purpose clear.	Purpose cannot be understood	Study purpose poorly explained	Adequate presentation of study aim(s)	Excellent, clearly presented study aim(s)		
Do the methods/ analysis/approach (as described) enable the aim to be addressed? E.g. Quantitative: Were appropriate statistical tests used and described? Qualitative: Has consideration been given to a theoretical framework?	Inadequate description of methods/ approach and/ or inappropriate methods used	Limited explanation of method/ approach and/ or methods appear suboptimal to address aim	Methods/ approach is described adequately and are appropriate to address aim.	Methods/ approach clearly described and replicable. Focused on relevance to aim and the results presented		
Statement of ethical approve/ permission	Inadequate/ missing	Some clarity required	Adequately detailed	Good, clear statement, no missing information		
Results presented clearly, relevant to study aim and interpreted accurately.	Unable to understand the data/ findings presented, substantial missing data relative to methods	Data/ findings presented but lack some key details	Adequate presentation of data/ findings	Excellent presentation of data/ findings		
Conclusion consistent with the findings	Conclusion missing or does not relate to findings	Conclusion OK but limited	Good interpretation of findings and conclusion	Excellent interpretation of findings and conclusion		
Overall presentation of the abstract, use of person-centred language, formatted according to guidelines	Many errors	Adequate presentation	Good presentation	Excellent presentation		
What is the potential impact and interest to the dietetic workforce/ nutrition	Limited potential impact, somewhat interesting	Local impact, interesting and valuable to some in the profession/ locality	National impact, interesting and valuable to many	International impact, with broad reach and benefit. Extremely interesting and important to a wide range of individuals		