

## INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS

### Editorial policy

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Tables (the word table should be used) should go to the end of the manuscript, each one on a separate page and in editable text (not pasted as images), with the titles above them. The figures (the word figure must be used) must go in files (JPG or PNG) independent of the manuscript (one file per figure). The legends of the figures are on a separate sheet following the bibliography and before the tables. In the figures (when appropriate) use black and white frames (not in colors). Both tables and figures must be self-explanatory (must be understood independently of the body of the manuscript). A maximum of five photographs or prints, in color or black and white, may be included as figures. The figures (graphics, photographic images or drawings) will be presented in jpg or png formats with a resolution of at least 600px width.

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1. Original article
2. Technical note
4. Review

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**Title:** It will be brief and clear, reflecting exactly what the work contains. Written in lowercase and avoiding the use of abbreviations. The title in English must be included after the title in Spanish.

**Name of Authors:** Full name (or first full name) and last name of the authors. Example: Laura Vidal<sup>1</sup>, José Gómez<sup>2</sup> \*

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2 Department of Cattle, Faculty of Veterinary, UdelaR. Only the complete postal address of the responsible author or correspondence will be detailed, for the other authors only the name of the institution.

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### **Summary**

It will give a clear and precise idea of the content of the article, containing (without subtitles): objectives, methodology, results, conclusion. It should not exceed 250 words, written in a single paragraph after the heading of the title and the authors. It must be written in the past tense.

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It must have the same content as the summary in Spanish, written in correct English. Include "keywords" below and in a separate line.

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It must be concise and provide the recent and relevant national and international background on the subject. It must convey the importance or transcendence of the research being communicated. It is recommended to avoid an overly detailed review of the literature or a mere summary of the results obtained by other authors. Instead of this, the scientific foundations of the study must be given and the working hypotheses clearly defined, in order to justify the importance of the article. In the last paragraph should specify the objectives of the work.

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The authors must give sufficient details so that another researcher can repeat the experiments. It must be written in the past tense and in the third person of the singular or plural as appropriate. Clearly describe the experimental design as well as the animals used (eg number, species, gender, breed, age). Mention reagents, drugs or medications by their generic or chemical name or by trademarks patented. The methods and procedures should be bibliographically referenced and include in detail modifications of techniques if applicable. All the details (times, temperatures, etc) must be clearly specified. In case of procedures involving animals, the experimental protocol must have the approval of the competent biosecurity and bioethics committee. The methods of statistical analysis should be clearly stated, including the considered effects, observations and experimental unit / s. It is recommended to include the models used for the analysis. The levels of probability used to declare significant differences and / or trends must be indicated.

## Results

The description of the results obtained must be presented clearly and in the most concise manner possible. First make a general description of them and then you can describe in tables or figures the data of the experiments. Repetitive or too long data should not be presented. Measurements of the metric system or other conventional measures should be used. In all the results, the significance level must be indicated. It must be written in the past tense and in the third person of the singular or plural according to the corresponding one.

## Discussion

The discussion consists of the search for an explanation of the results obtained, for which a comparison is made with data from the literature. The repetition of the results should be avoided in this item as well as the mere comparison of the results themselves with those of other authors. Instead, the relationships between the observed facts should be shown, contrasting them with the hypothesis of the experiment itself and / or with the theories, results or conclusions of other authors in order to explain the findings. Bibliographical references should be applied to the experiment and not overrun with details not studied. The meaning of the results must be stated, avoiding repetitions. Written in the past tense in the third person of the singular or plural as appropriate.

## Conclusions

The conclusions must be clear, concise and precise and must reflect the information presented in terms of the hypotheses and the objectives set. The partial conclusions obtained from different results of the work should be summarized and globalized. Avoid overly general conclusions. There must be a total coherence between the objectives, the results and the conclusions, and this item may include recommendations or implications of the work.

## Thanks

The name of the persons and the institution to which they belong must be included, making the reason for the acknowledgment. It should be written concisely and refer to materials or equipment and financial support.

## **Bibliography and References.**

The journal uses the APA format for bibliographic references. It is recommended to pay special attention given that poorly referenced works will not be accepted.

In text citation:

The author or authors' (if there's two) last name(s) must be separated by "and", followed by a comma and the year of publication. Example: (González and Rodríguez, 2005).

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If more than one author is cited, their last names should be written in alphabetical order and separated by semicolons. There shouldn't be more than four backup citations.

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