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## **ARRIVE** The ARRIVE guidelines 2.0: author checklist

## The ARRIVE Essential 10

These items are the basic minimum to include in a manuscript. Without this information, readers and reviewers cannot assess the reliability of the findings.

Item		Recommendation	Section/line number, or reason for not reporting
Study design	1	For each experiment, provide brief details of study design including:	Methods/Page 4, Line
		a. The groups being compared, including control groups. If no control group has been used, the rationale should be stated.	17-Page 7, Line 10.
		b. The experimental unit (e.g. a single animal, litter, or cage of animals).	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 10.
Sample size	2	a. Specify the exact number of experimental units allocated to each group, and the total number in each experiment. Also indicate the total number of animals used.	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16.
		b. Explain how the sample size was decided. Provide details of any <i>a priori</i> sample size calculation, if done.	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16.
Inclusion and exclusion criteria	3	a. Describe any criteria used for including and excluding animals (or experimental units) during the experiment, and data points during the analysis. Specify if these criteria were established <i>a priori</i> . If no criteria were set, state this explicitly.	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16. Results/Page 7, Line 18-Page 9, Line 28.
		b. For each experimental group, report any animals, experimental units or data points	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16. Results/Page 7, Line 18-Page 9, Line 28.
		not included in the analysis and explain why. If there were no exclusions, state so. c. For each analysis, report the exact value of <i>n</i> in each experimental group.	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16. Results/Page 7, Line 18-Page 9, Line 28.
Randomisation	4	a. State whether randomisation was used to allocate experimental units to control and treatment groups. If done, provide the method used to generate the randomisation sequence.	Methods/Mouse xenograft assay analysis/Page 7, Line 4-10.
		b. Describe the strategy used to minimise potential confounders such as the order of treatments and measurements, or animal/cage location. If confounders were not controlled, state this explicitly.	Methods/Mouse xenograft assay analysis/Page 7, Line 4-10.
Blinding	5	Describe who was aware of the group allocation at the different stages of the experiment (during the allocation, the conduct of the experiment, the outcome assessment, and the data analysis).	N/A, Related parts are not involved in the experiment.
Outcome measures	6	a. Clearly define all outcome measures assessed (e.g. cell death, molecular markers, or behavioural changes).	Results/Page 7,Line 18-Page 9, Line28. Figure legend/Page 15, Line 4-Page 16, Line 31.
		b. For hypothesis-testing studies, specify the primary outcome measure, i.e. the outcome measure that was used to determine the sample size.	Results/Page 7,Line 18-Page 9, Line28. Figure legend/Page 15, Line 4-Page 16, Line 31.
Statistical methods	7	a. Provide details of the statistical methods used for each analysis, including software used.	Methods/Statistical analysis/Page 7, Line 12-16.
		b. Describe any methods used to assess whether the data met the assumptions of the statistical approach, and what was done if the assumptions were not met.	Methods/Statistical analysis/Page 7, Line 12-16.
Experimental animals	8	a. Provide species-appropriate details of the animals used, including species, strain and substrain, sex, age or developmental stage, and, if relevant, weight.	Methods/Mouse xenograft assay analysis/Page 7, Line 4-10.
		b. Provide further relevant information on the provenance of animals, health/immune status, genetic modification status, genotype, and any previous procedures.	Methods/Mouse xenograft assay analysis/Page 7, Line 4-10.
Experimental procedures	9	For each experimental group, including controls, describe the procedures in enough detail to allow others to replicate them, including:	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16.
		a. What was done, how it was done and what was used.	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16.
		b. When and how often.	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16.
		<ul><li>c. Where (including detail of any acclimatisation periods).</li><li>d. Why (provide rationale for procedures).</li></ul>	Methods/Page 4, Line 17-Page 7, Line 16.
Results	10	For each experiment conducted, including independent replications, report:	Results/Page 7,Line 18-Page 9, Line28. Figure legend/Page 15, Line 4-Page 16, Line 31.
		<ul><li>a. Summary/descriptive statistics for each experimental group, with a measure of variability where applicable (e.g. mean and SD, or median and range).</li><li>b. If applicable, the effect size with a confidence interval.</li></ul>	Results/Page 7,Line 18-Page 9, Line28. Figure legend/Page 15, Line 4-Page 16, Line 31.

## The Recommended Set

These items complement the Essential 10 and add important context to the study. Reporting the items in both sets represents best practice.

ltem		Recommendation	Section/line number, or reason for not reporting
Abstract	11	Provide an accurate summary of the research objectives, animal species, strain and sex, key methods, principal findings, and study conclusions.	Abstract/Page 2, Line 1-23.
Background	12	<ul> <li>Include sufficient scientific background to understand the rationale and context for the study, and explain the experimental approach.</li> </ul>	Introduction/Page 3, Line 1-Page 4, Line 4.
		<ul> <li>Explain how the animal species and model used address the scientific objectives and, where appropriate, the relevance to human biology.</li> </ul>	Methods/Mouse xenograft assay analysis/Page 7, Line 4-10.
Objectives	13	Clearly describe the research question, research objectives and, where appropriate, specific hypotheses being tested.	Introduction/Page 3, Line 1-Page 4, Line 4. Ab
Ethical statement	14	Provide the name of the ethical review committee or equivalent that has approved the use of animals in this study, and any relevant licence or protocol numbers (if applicable). If ethical approval was not sought or granted, provide a justification.	Methods/Page 4, Line 20-27. Footnote/Page 12, Line 2-4.
Housing and husbandry	15	Provide details of housing and husbandry conditions, including any environmental enrichment.	N/A, Related parts are not involved in the expe
Animal care and monitoring	16	a. Describe any interventions or steps taken in the experimental protocols to reduce pain, suffering and distress.	Methods/Page 4, Line 20-27.
		b. Report any expected or unexpected adverse events.	Methods/Page 4,
		c. Describe the humane endpoints established for the study, the signs that were monitored and the frequency of monitoring. If the study did not have humane endpoints, state this.	Line 20-27. Methods/Page 4, Line 20-27.
Interpretation/ scientific	17	a. Interpret the results, taking into account the study objectives and hypotheses, current theory and other relevant studies in the literature.	Discussion/Page 9, Line 30-Page 11, Line 18.
implications		b. Comment on the study limitations including potential sources of bias, limitations of the animal model, and imprecision associated with the results.	Discussion/Page 9, Line 30-Page 11, Line 18
Generalisability/ translation	18	Comment on whether, and how, the findings of this study are likely to generalise to other species or experimental conditions, including any relevance to human biology (where appropriate).	N/A, Related parts are not involved in the experiment.
Protocol registration	19	Provide a statement indicating whether a protocol (including the research question, key design features, and analysis plan) was prepared before the study, and if and where this protocol was registered.	A protocol was prepared before the study without registration.
Data access	20	Provide a statement describing if and where study data are available.	Footnote/Page 11, Line 28. Supplement/Data S
Declaration of interests	21	a. Declare any potential conflicts of interest, including financial and non-financial. If none exist, this should be stated.	Footnote/Page 11, Line 30-32. Supplement/coi_disclosure-no conflict.
		b. List all funding sources (including grant identifier) and the role of the funder(s) in the design, analysis and reporting of the study.	Acknowledgments/Page 11, Line 21-22. Contributions/Page 1, Line 19-25.

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