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INTRODUCTION

This Style Guide details the document formatting standards for a paper manuscript, one of the two options required of authors presenting manuscripts at A&WMA's Annual Conference & Exhibition. Your paper should look *exactly* like this Style Guide in terms of layout, margins, spacing, font, and section headings. Following these guidelines will ensure that printed papers have a uniform and standardized appearance and that they will be reproduced accurately in the conference proceedings.

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- Abstract
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- Main Body Text (including experimental methods, results, discussion and summary sections)

- References
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References should be cited within your paper **using superscript Arabic numerals**, as in this example.¹ Use the Microsoft Word or WordPerfect superscript functions for reference numbers.

The references section should immediately follow the acknowledgments section. List your references numerically as they appear in your manuscript (not alphabetically). Use the Microsoft Word or WordPerfect numbered list function to number your reference list.

Examples of reference formats are given below. For additional information on formatting references, refer to the *ACS Style Guide*, edited by J.S. Dodd (American Chemical Society, Washington DC, 1986).

Example References

- 1 Carson, M.A.; Atkinson, K.D.; Waechter, C.J. J. Biol Chem. 1982, 257, 8115-8121.
- 2 ACS Style Guide; Dodd, J.S.; American Chemical Society: Washington, DC, 1986.
- 3 Geactinov, N.E. In *Polycyclic Hydrocarbons and Carcinogenesis*; Harvey, R.G., Ed.; ACS Symposium Series 283; American Chemical Society: Washington, DC, 1985; pp 12-45.
- 4 Norman, L.O. U.S. Patent 4 379 752, 1983.
- 5 Kanter, H. Ph.D. Thesis, University of California at San Francisco, 1984.
- 6 Sherma, J.; Beroza, M. *Manual of Analytical Quality Control for Pesticides and Related Compounds*; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; U.S. Government Printing Office: Washington, DC, 1979; EPA-600/1-79/008.
- 7 *Beilstein Online*; Beilstein Institute: Frankfurt, Germany (accessed March 1999).

8 ChemCenter Home Page. See http://www.chemcenter.org (accessed December 1999).

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Line Spacing

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Type Size and Font

Times New Roman is the preferred font because it is resident in very similar forms in both Microsoft Word and WordPerfect. Use the following six levels of this font to describe the different sections of your extended abstract:

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- 3 Heading 2: 14-Point Times New Roman Bold
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5 Body: 12-point Times New Roman (left justified)

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Examples

Your equations should be numbered and labeled, as shown below. Only the simplest of equations may be created with keyboard characters.

$$y = mx + b$$

where:

m = slopex = concentration b = intercept (Eq. 1)

Most equations must be created with Microsoft Word or WordPerfect's symbol fonts and equation editors so that the mathematical characters always reproduce correctly.

$$\left(m = \frac{\sum (y_i x_i)}{\sum (x_i^2)}\right)$$
(Eq. 2)

where

$$x_i = \frac{(injected carbon peak area)}{(calibration peak area)}$$

and

 y_i = calculated carbon in spiked filter or manual injection (μg)

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Style Definition	Specifications	Used For
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Body	Times New Roman, 12-pt. body text, left-justified	Note: Bold, italic, and underline typeface can be applied to body text as necessary. Body text can also be formatted as bulleted or numbered lists.*

 Table 1. Sample Table.

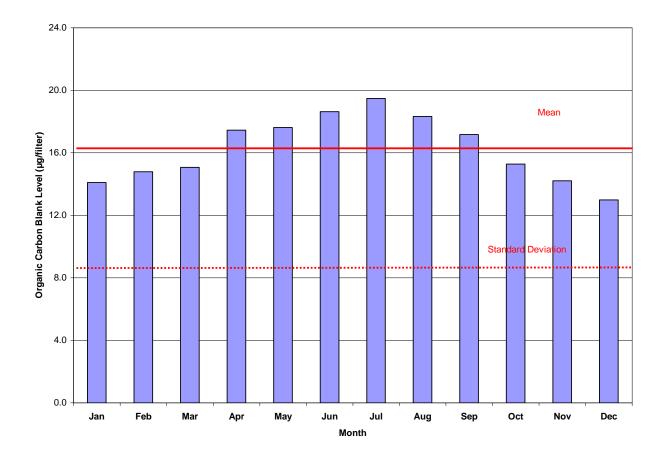
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Figure 1. Sample figure – Variation in Mean Organic Carbon Field Blank Levels by Month (2001 – 2004).



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