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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

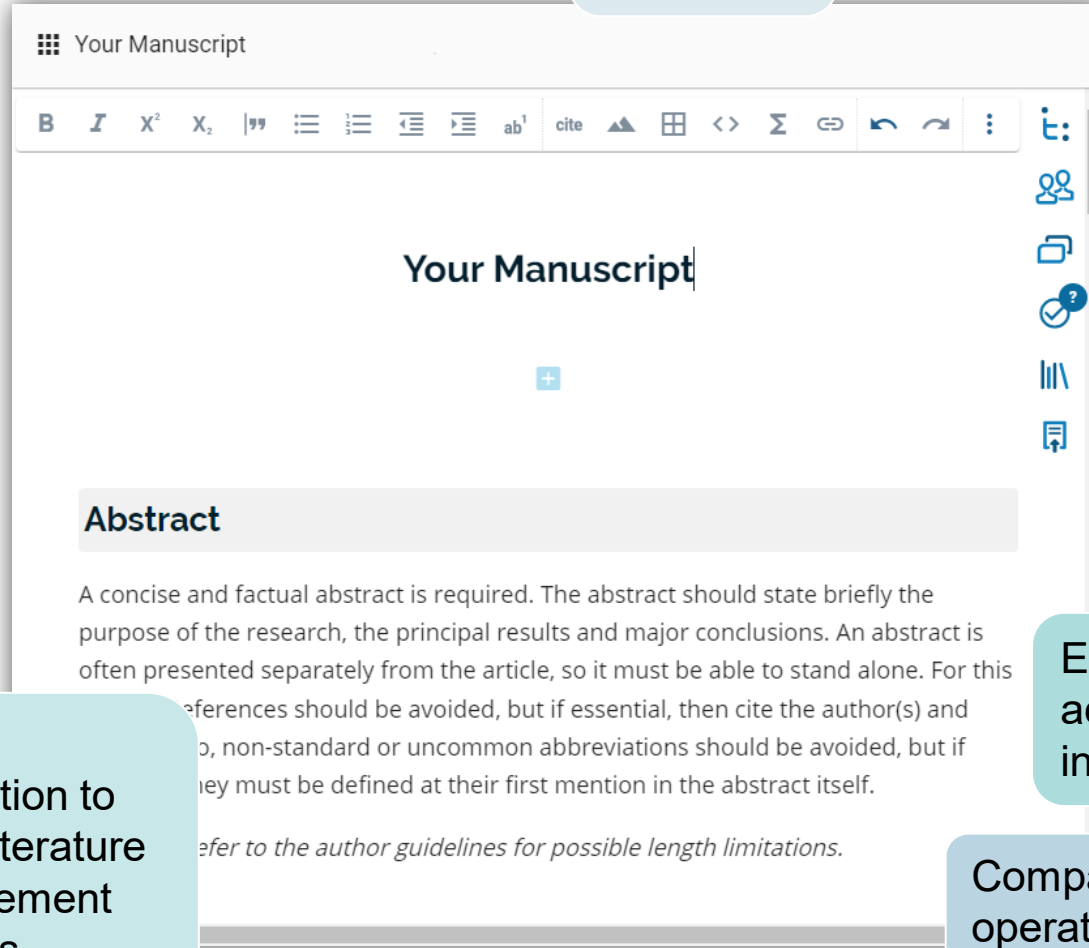
Quick changes between different styles and formats

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

Registrierte 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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