# Preparing the 'Perfect' Poster Presentation

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### Learning Objectives

- 1. Utilize abstract formation and organization for poster purpose.
- 2. Examine poster formats and what information to include.
- 3. Recognize beneficial graphics for presentations and proper source citations.
- 4. Describe techniques for delivering a poster presentation session.

### A Poster is a Picture of Your Research



# Abstract Thoughts

# The Abstract-Telling People What They Want To Know

- An abstract allows the audience to understand the purpose.
- In general, an abstract needs to include a brief introduction, why the work is important, what was done, results obtained and conclusions.
  - Must be succinct! Most submissions have word limits of 250-400 words.
- The abstract will help guide your poster content and formatting.

# Dissecting the Abstract

#### Phase II study of metformin for reduction of obesity-associated breast cancer risk: a randomized controlled trial protocol



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**Methods/design:** This is a Phase II randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of metformin in overweight/obese premenopausal women who have elements of metabolic syndrome. Eligible participants will be randomized to receive metformin 850 mg BID (n = 75) or placebo (n = 75) for 12 months. The primary endpoint is change in breast density, based on magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) acquired fat-water features. Secondary outcomes include changes in serum insulin levels, serum insulin-like growth factor (IGF)-1 to insulin-like growth factor binding protein (IGFBP)-3 ratio, serum IGF-2 levels, serum testosterone levels, serum leptin to adiponectin ratio, body weight, and waist circumference. Exploratory outcomes include changes in metabolomic profiles in plasma and nipple aspirate fluid. Changes in tissue architecture as well as cellular and molecular targets in breast tissue collected in a subgroup of participants will also be explored.

**Discussion:** The study will evaluate whether metformin can result in favorable changes in breast density, select proteins and hormones, products of body metabolism, and body weight and composition. The study should help determine the potential breast cancer preventive activity of metformin in a growing population at risk for multiple diseases.

**Trial registration:** ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT02028221. Registered on January 2, 2014. Grant #: 1R01CA172444-01A1 awarded on Sept 11, 2013.

Keywords: Metformin, Breast cancer prevention, Breast density, Biomarkers, Metabolic syndrome, Metabolomics

### Comparison of nutritional status assessment parameters in predicting length of hospital stay in cancer patients

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#### SUMMARY

Background & aims: Undernutrition has been associated with an increased length of hospital stay which may reflect the patient prognosis. The aim of this study was to quantify and compare the association between nutritional status and handgrip strength at hospital admission with time to discharge in cancer patients.

Methods: An observational prospective study was conducted in an oncology center. Patient-Generated Subjective Global Assessment, Nutritional Risk Screening 2002 and handgrip strength were conducted in a probabilistic sample of 130 cancer patients. The association between baseline nutritional status, handgrip strength and time to discharge was evaluated using survival analysis with discharge alive as the outcome.

Results: Nutritional risk ranged from 42.3 to 53.1% depending on the tool used. According to Patient-Generated Subjective Global Assessment severe undernutrition was present in 22.3% of the sample. The association between baseline data and time to discharge was stronger in patients with low handgrip strength (adjusted hazard ratio, low handgrip strength: 0.33; 95% confidence interval: 0.19–0.55), compared to undernourished patients evaluated by the other tools; Patient-Generated Subjective Global Assessment: (adjusted hazard ratio, severe undernutrition: 0.45; 95% confidence interval: 0.27–0.75) and Nutritional Risk Screening 2002: (adjusted hazard ratio, with nutritional risk: 0.55; 95% confidence interval: 0.37–0.80).

Conclusions: An approximate 3-fold decrease in probability of discharge alive was observed in patients with low handgrip strength. Decreasing handgrip strength tertiles allowed to discriminate between patients who will have longer hospital stay, as well as undernutrition and nutritional risk assessed by Patient-Generated Subjective Global Assessment and Nutritional Risk Screening 2002.

### Submitting Your Abstract to a Conference

- An abstract must be be submitted and accepted to the conference or meeting you want to present your information at.
- Determine what category of the meeting your abstract aligns.
  - For example FNCE abstract categories include *original research*, *project or program reports*, *innovations in nutrition and dietetics practice and education*.
- Check the event's website or registration information to determine abstract specifics.
  - Be sure the scope of your research aligns with the focus of the conference.
- Abstracts are peer reviewed and scored prior to acceptance.

# Designing and Preparing

### Know What You Want to Say

- It will effect the final outcome of your poster.
- Things to think about:
  - What is the purpose of the poster?
  - What is the nature of the work?
  - What should someone take away from this poster?



This will help you stand out from the many other posters being presented.

### Who is Your Audience?

Practitioners? Physicians? Clinicians? Politicians? Patients?

### Formatting

- Writing is critical to a beneficial poster
- Posters in general should contain:
  - Title
  - Author(s) name(s)
  - Affiliation(s)
  - Introduction/Background
  - Purpose/Objective
  - Approach/Methods
  - Results
  - Conclusions
  - Future Directions
  - Acknowledgements/References/Contact Information

### Title

- Describe your work.
- 2. Draw audience attention.
- 3. Say a lot with very little.

# The advantage of short paper titles

Adrian Letchford, Helen Susannah Moat and Tobias Preis

# Articles with short titles describing the results are cited more often

Carlos Eduardo Paiva, I,II João Paulo da Silveira Nogueira Lima, Bianca Sakamoto Ribeiro Paiva II

# Background

- Keep it brief. 4 or 5 sentences.
- Provide enough information so the audience can understand that problem being addressed by the research.

### Purpose

- Why are you doing what you are doing?
- What were you trying to understand?
- Present the hypothesis to be tested.
- Separate this out from the background so it is distinct and can clearly be identified.

### Methods

### Tell the audience what you did!

Study design, target population, inclusion/exclusion criteria.

What data you collected and how you collected it.

Statistical tests performed on raw data (t-test, linear regression, chi squared, etc.).

Can be visualized using trees, lines or other forms.

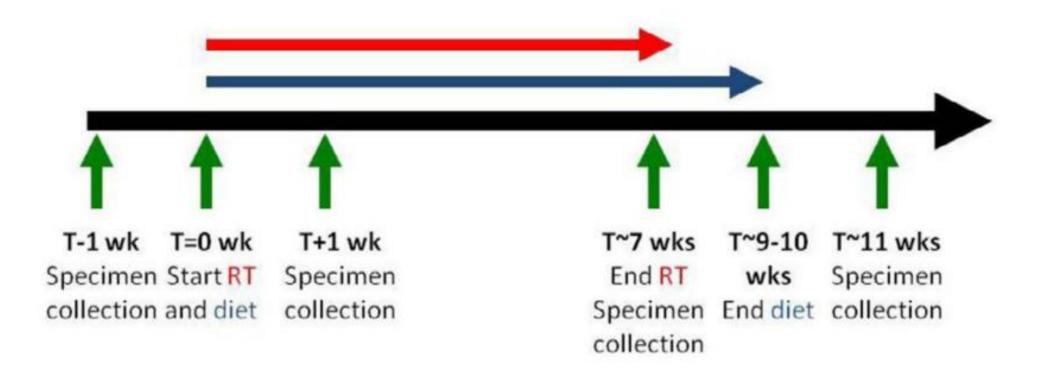
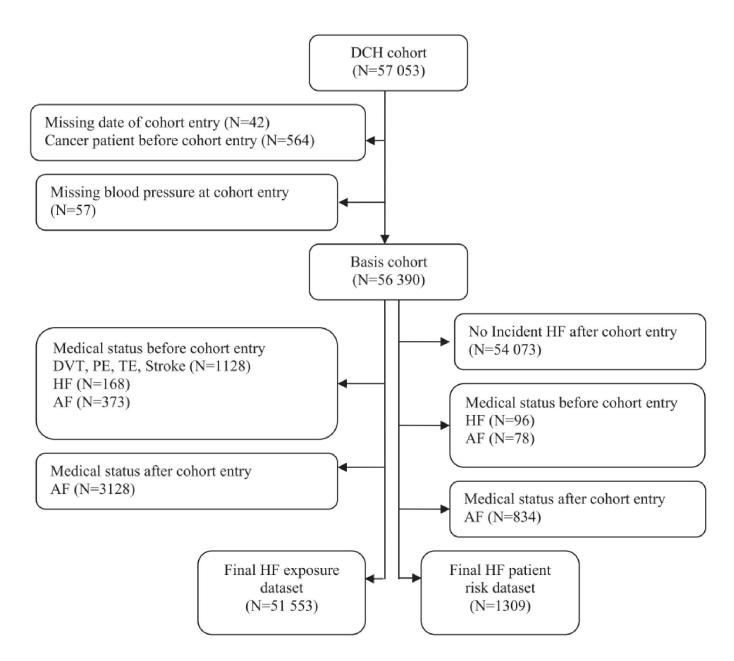


Figure 1.

Experimental Plan. Patients were randomized to flaxseed or control diet initiated at the start of RT, given until 2 weeks after end of RT. Specimen (blood and urine collections) performed at pre-RT, week 1, end RT, and 1 month post-RT time points.

Berman AT, et al. J Pulm Respir Med 201

Figure 1 Flowchart describing case exclusion for the two data sets used for analysis. DCH, Diet, Cancer and Health; HF, heart failure.



Lip GYH, et al. BMJ Open 2012

### Results

- Brief demographics of study population and pertinent results.
- Provide actual data, not interpretation of the data (this is for later).
- Present as bulleted points.
- If it can be represented graphically, choose this over long lines of texts.
  - This includes figures, tables, graphs, diagrams and illustrations.

 Table 1
 Characteristics of patients

Group		Control $(n = 10)$	Gln (n = 10)	Gln plus ED $(n = 10)$
Regimen	DCF	4	4	5
	DGS	6	6	5
Daily calorie intake including ED (kcal)		2100	2100	2100
		(1800–2100)	(1600–2100)	(2100–2100)
Age (years)		68	73.5	75
		49-82	68–78	58-83
Sex	Female	1	3	0
	Male	9	7	10
Cancer site		Ce 1, Lt 3, Mt 6	Ae 1, Lt 2, Mt 4, Mt-Ut 2, Ut 1	Lt 2, Mt 8
Radiation	Yes	0	0	0
	No	10	10	10
Stage	II	2	4	1
	III	4	1	5
	IVa	3	3	0
	IVb	1	2	4
BMI		21.75 (18.37–25.59)	22.42 (16.60–25.20)	21.08 (14.60–24.20)

Ae abdominal esophageal site, BMI body mass index, Ce cervical esophageal site, DCF docetaxel + cisplatin + 5-fluorouracil, DGS docetaxel + nedaplatin + S-1, ED elemental diet, Gln glutamine, Lt lower thoracic esophageal site, Mt middle thoracic esophageal site, Ut upper thoracic esophageal site

Tanaka Y, et al. Support Care Cancer 2016

# **Graphic Content**

- Tables and graphs need a description and number (if there is more than 1 of either).
  - This can go above or below the image.
- Include labels and units for data collected.
- Graphs should have axis labeled and a legend.
- Any pictures should be relevant to the project.

Table 1 Self-reported behaviour change.

	TO	T1	Mean change	$T$ -test/ $\chi^2$	
				p	
Physical activity (minutes a week)					
<sup>a</sup> Moderate ( $N = 22$ ) Missing = 1	48.3 (73.2)	123.5 (92.0)	+73.0 (115.4)	T(21) = 2.96, p = .007	
$^{\rm b}$ Vigorous ( $N=23$ )	14.78 (35.4)	67.17 (113.5)	+52.4 (116.6)	T(22) = 2.16, p = .042	
Physically active >150 min a week $(n \%)$	3 (13%)	12 (52%)		$\chi^2 = .63, p = .427$	
F&V (portions a day) $N = 23$	4.2 (2.0)	7.1 (1.7)	+2.89(1.77)	T(22) = -7.78, p < .001	
$\geq$ 5 portions a day (n %)	7 (30%)	23 (100%)		# 18 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97	
Red meat g a week $N = 23$	262.7 (310.5)	115.3 (132.8)	-147.4(263.1)	T(22) = 2.69, p = .013	
<500 g a week (n %)	18 (78%)	22 (96%)	<u> </u>	$\chi^2 = 3.764, p = .052$	
Processed meat (portions a week) $N = 23$	1.17 (1.15)	0.35 (0.78)	-0.83 (1.15)	T(22) = 3.43, p = .002	
Consuming no processed meat $(n \%) N = 23$	8 (35%)	18 (78%)		$\chi^2 = 3.407, p = .065$	

Moderate physical activity = when you breath somewhat harder than normal e.g. brisk walking.
 Vigorous physical activity = when your heart beats rapidly and you breath much faster e.g. running.

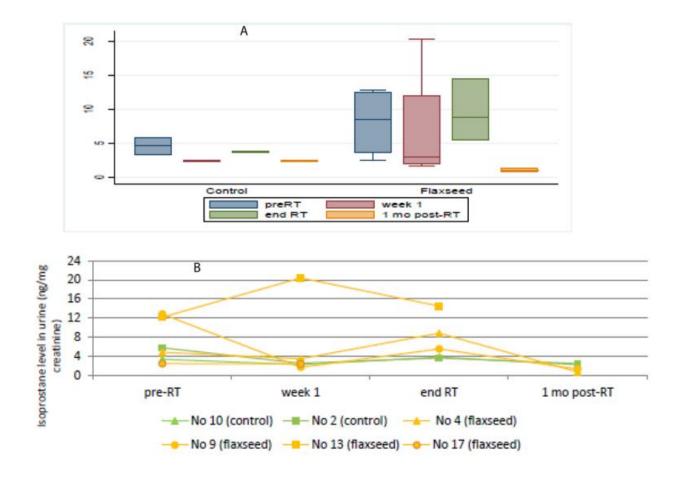


Figure 3.

Detection of isoprostane levels in urine. Urine was measured for 8,12, F2 isoprostane levels and normalized to creatinine level (ng/mg creatinine). Panel A shows a box plot of isoprostane levels in both diet groups (control and flaxseed) at the four time points. Panel B demonstrates the isoprostane level trend in 6 patients (2 control, 4 flaxseed).

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### Summary

- Conclusions and interpretation of results.
- Key points for audience to take away.
- Address any strengths and limitations of the study.

# Future Directions/Acknowledgements

- Continuing project?
- Impact in future research endeavors?

- Funding...
- Affiliations...

### References

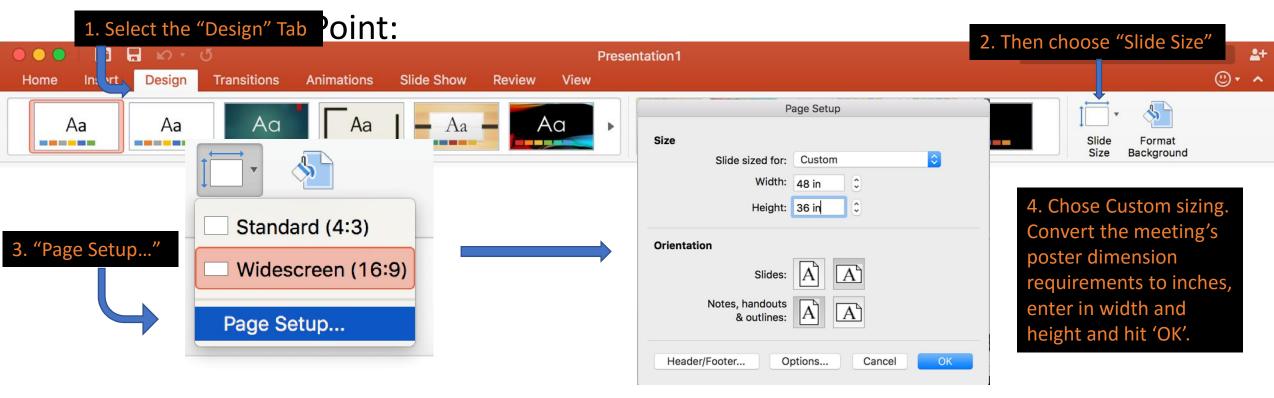
- Yes, there should be references in your poster.
- Commonly they are seen in the background and conclusions.
  - They help support the story.
- Format references in the specialty specific method.
  - Frequently used is JAMA or APA.
  - May be as a simple number ((1)) superscript number (1), author last name and year (Strom, 2016).
- Provide them as a list (in smaller text) at the bottom of the poster or print out as a supplement.

### Poster Design

- Natural flow from left to right, bottom to top.
  - 2 or 3 columns helps break up text and images effectively.
- Headings will break up information and make it easier to digest.
- Put only what is necessary.
  - Images or tables should be focus.
- Allow adequate white space.
  - Utilize negative space.
- Be smart with colors.
- Less formal than a research paper, so they can reflect your personality!

# Sizing and Scaling

 It is easiest to change the poster size <u>BEFORE</u> anything is typed and <u>PRIOR</u> to printing.



# Readability

- Black text on white provides most contrast and is easiest to see.
- Limit the number of colors in the poster as to not overwhelm.
  - Colors should clarify the point not confuse the eye.
- If a colored background is desired, provide white text boxes around the text for readability.

Far far away, behind the word mountains, far from the countries Vokalia and Consonantia, there live the blind texts. Separated they live in Bookmarksgrove right at the coast of the Semantics, a large language ocean. A small river named Duden flows by their place and supplies it with the necessary regelialia. It is a paradisematic country, in which roasted parts of sentences fly into your mouth.

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# Complimentary Colors





### Text Formatting

- Use a sans-serif font.
  - Arial, Calibri, Times New Roman, Helvetica, Verdana
- Sizing
  - Minimum size 24pt.
  - Title is largest font, subheadings are larger than body text, legends are smallest text.
  - Large enough to read from a distance.
- Format all bullets the same
  - Choose same bullet design and bullet spacing.
  - Reduce space between bullet and text.
- Alignment
  - Ragged Right vs. Fully Justified

# A Closer Look at Alignment

### Ragged Right

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# Editing

- Are there titles for figures and tables?
- Remove redundancies and irrelevancies.
- Check punctuation and text spacing.
- Ensure bullets are the same spacing.
- Is your message making sense?



### Potential of Patient Activation Measure and Smoking Cessation in Cancer Patients

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#### INTRODUCTION

- Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable cancer diagnoses and deaths in the United States.
- In Arizona there are 32,440 new cancer cases and 6,488 tobacco-related cancer deaths each year.
- Tobacco use decreases the effectiveness of cancer treatments and may influence mortality.
- Patient activation and engagement in their health has been linked to improved health outcomes.
- The Arizona Smokers Helpine is a tobacco tax state funded quitline that provides evidence based tobacco cessation.

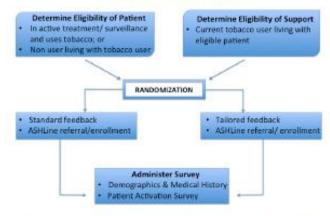
#### **PURPOSE**

Evaluate the relationship between patient activation and tobacco quit rates and test the preliminary effectiveness of Patient Activation Survey (PAM) score feedback on enrollment for services at ASHLine.

#### **METHODS**

- PAM is a 10-question survey that measures patient's motivation and activation towards their health delivered via mobile application.
- Eligibility: cancer patient (diagnosis ≤ 5 years) currently in active treatment or surveillance. Support person is a tobacco user.

#### STUDY DESIGN





Based on your Patient Activation Measure score, you are at a Level 1 meaning that you may need help in building your knowledge about the negative impact of tobacco on your health and treatment as well as building confidence in regards to your health.



Based on your Patient Activation Measure score, you are at a Linest 2 meaning this you are at a Linest 2 meaning this you measure that you could be doing more to improve your health. You may have thought of guitting tobacco products but are not quite ready.





#### PRELIMINARY RESULTS

	Not Interested	Patients	Support Persons	Total
Screened	51	100	97	248
Eligible	5.5	24	12	36
Consented	124	11	7	18

#### **FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

- PAM is a cost effective method of assessing patient activation during "teachable moments" that occur throughout cancer continuum.
- Patient activation may be a useful target for engaging cancer patients that use tobacco to enroll for cessation services.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

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### Dietary associations with breast density in women on adjuvant Tamoxifen the py within the Diindolylmethane Efficacy (DIME) Study

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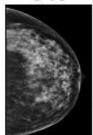
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#### **ABSTRACT**

Introduction Breast density (BD) describes the distribution of epithelial and connective versus fatty tissue; higher BD is a predictor of higher breast cancer risk. Tamoxifen (TAM) is a commonly prescribed anti-estrogen adjuvant cancer treatment to reduce breast cancer risk. partially through modulation of breast density. Dietary components. including fiber, fat, and total energy intake, potentially influence BD. The relationship between dietary intake and BD in women prescribed TAM is not fully understood. Methods We conducted a cross-sectional analysis using baseline data collected from 130 pre- and postmenopausal women taking TAM and enrolled in the Dlindolylmethane Efficacy (DIME) Study, BD was measured fro tal mammograms. and participants completed the Artzona Food ency Questionnaire (AFFQ) to assess dietary intake. Results Me was 25% ± 15%. Linear regression examining dietary exposure ntake and adjusted for time on TAM, menopausal status, and box ss Index (BMI) indicated no significant association between I d total energy intake. Caffeine intake had a significant positi sociation with BD (p=0.006) No other associations were observ tween total fat. protein, and carbohydrate intake as well as in of fiber, fruit. vegetables, cruciferous vegetables, and alcol onclusion Dietary Intake shows little association with BD amon. on taking TAM therapy, however caffeine may be of interest. A arnate preventive mechanisms for diet in women on TAM therapy should be investigated including potential effects on estrogen and TAM metabolism.

#### INTRODUCTION

- · Risk factors for breast cancer include age, parity, menopausal status, BRCA1/2 mutation as well as factors such as diet and physical activity.1
- High BD increases breast cancer risk by 5.3 f
- TAM is associated with decreased BD ≥1 B category grade after only 19 months of the



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- BD describes the distriction of epithelial and connective versus fatty tissue. (Figure 1)
- TAM is prescribed for prevention and treatment of breast cancer and can modulate BD.
- Diet has been associated with BD.46 including total energy, carbohydrate, and protein intake, as well as consumption foods rich in omega-3s.

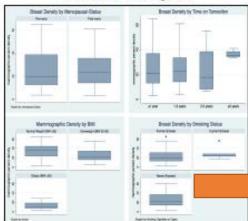
#### METHODS

- Cross-sectional and of 130 women within the DIME study. Eligible women were pre- and post-menopausal by ancer survivors, currently taking TAM ≥3 months, with a BIRADS ≥2.
- Evaluated baseling mmographic BD (n=102) and dietary exposures through linear regression. No adjustments multiple comparisons.

#### RESULTS

- Mean age MI of  $26.5 \pm 5.4 \text{ kg/m}^2$ , 86.9% non-Hispanic, 93.8% white and ±9.3 years D was 25.08% ± 14.84%. nopausal. N 64.6% pg
- 60.8% stage 0 or I, 2.8 ± 3.8 years post diagnosis, and a mean time on TAM 1.7 ± 2.7
- BD d differ by menopausal status but er in women on TAM ≥5 years war
- ine was positively associated with BD 0.006) and cholesterol was borderline sitive (p= 0.051). (Table 1)
- No other significant associations observed between dietary exposures and BD in women on TAM.

Figure 2: Breast density by menopausal status, time on TAM, BMI and smoking status



	T1	12	T3	
Nutrient	%BD (SD)	%BD (SD)	%BD (SD)	P-value
Energy (kcal)	25.07 (13.82)	31.73 (14.99)	28.25 (15.55)	0.409
Total fat (g)	25.80 (14.63)	28.88 (14.26)	24.63 (16.19)	0.688
Saturated fat (g)	26.70 (14.87)	27.15 (16.50)	25.18 (14.00)	0.612
Vionounsaturated fatty acids (g)	25.29 (14.16)	30.27 (14.77)	24.28 (15.89)	0.394
Polyunsaturated fatty acids (g)	26.07 (14.72)	31.66 (15.41)	22.44 (14.07)	0.597
Cholesterol (mg)	26.20 (15.39)	24.44 (13.88)	28.52 (15.88)	0.051
Protein (g)	25.07 (13.81)	31.73 (14.99)	28.25 (15.55)	0.403
Carbohydrate (g)	26.26 (14.28)	29.15 (15.87)	23.89 (15.08)	0.456
Total fiber (g)	26.12 (14.15)	26.41 (15.56)	26.60 (15.90)	0.894
Total sugar (g)	25.65 (14.00)	28.77 (16.58)	24.57 (14.51)	0.892
Total vegetable (g)	25.32 (14.03)	23.40 (14.26)	30.15 (16.24)	0.845
Cruciferous vegetable (g)	23.25 (14.74)	25.23 (13.26)	31.69 (16.46)	0.9882
Total isoflavores	29.63 (16.84)	24.64 (15.63)	24.62 (11.77)	0.979
	3.40 (14.65)	23.02 (15.70)	29.54 (14.27)	0.317
Caffeine (mg)	26.65 (14.98)	20.59 (15.08)	31.57 (13.29)	0.006

Table 1: Percent BD by dietary intake tertile

#### DISCUSSION

- Caffeine was the only dietary compone inificantly associated with BD in women taking TA dication known to be associated with duction 8D. This may be a chance finding.
- Higher BD with increased consumption affeine. may influence mastalgia.
- It is possible that diet is not able to my beyond the known BD-reduction associa. d with TAM therapy.

#### **FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

- Investigate the role of diet in relation to estrogen metabolism in women on TAM to determine if there is an additive effect of diet beyond the known estrogen changes observed with TAM therapy.
- Explore diet, and specifically caffeine, as a possible modulator of mastalgia, given association between density and breast pain.6

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Your abstract has been submitted and accepted...
Your poster has been drafted, edited, revised and finalized...

You've traveled (possibly) a far distance to get to the meeting...

...Now what?

# Presenting Your Poster

### **Tricks**

- Bring clear tacks to hang your poster.
- Develop a complimentary handout for audience members to keep.
- Bring print outs of either the abstract or 8x11 of the poster
- Informal and interactive presentation.
  - Be confident!
  - Make eye contact.
  - Minimize hand gestures- use only for emphasis or explaining.
  - Wear comfortable shoes and clothes.

# & Tips

- Be prepared!
  - Develop a 1 minute spiel about your research that hits the main points and offers the opportunity for audience to ask additional questions.
- Walk your audience through your poster.
  - Do NOT read the poster verbatim.
  - Plan 3-5 minutes of explanation of your work.
  - Allow for questions from your audience.
- Talk slow, clear and loud.
  - Encourage conversations.
- Bring business cards for networking opportunities.

### 7 C's of Communication

- 1. Clear.
- 2. Concise.
- 3. Concrete.
- 4. Correct.
- 5. Coherent.
- 6. Complete.
- 7. Courteous.

### Do Good Science!



### Resources

- General Poster Template: https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8qsD3PExGRJX0tCd0VWajhXT28/view?usp=sharing
- Poster Evaluation Form: https://drive.google.com/a/email.arizona.edu/file/d/0B8qsD3PExGRJ djlnWnBlQkdoVXM/view?usp=sharing
- Ten simple rules for a good poster presentation. Erren TC, Bourne PE (2007) http://journals.plos.org/ploscompbiol/article/asset?id=10.1371%2Fjournal.pcbi.0030102.PDF

#### **Title is Always the Largest Font**

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#### INTRODUCTION

- · Background Information in Bullet Points

#### RESULTS

- · What were the results?
- More results xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

- XXXXXXXXXXX

#### **APPROACH**

 Approach of study in bullet points or graphical representation. Sometimes can be called 'Objective' or combined with Methods



Figure 1: If applicable

#### **METHODS**

- · What you did here in bullet or graphic
- · Include any statistical tests used

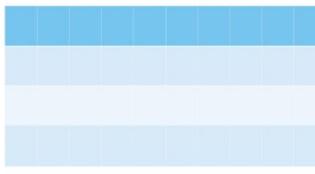


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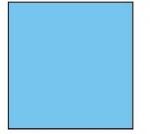


Figure 2: If you have some more figures

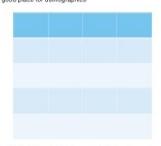


Table 2: Always have a legend for tables and figures

#### CONCLUSIONS

- These are based on your results. This section can also be labeled "Summary" and combined with Future Directions.

#### **FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

- · What happens Next?
- What direction will the research be taken?
- What are the implications or impact of this research?

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	Summary		
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