

Library for health research reporting

The screenshot shows the EQUATOR Network website's 'Library' section. It features a navigation menu with 'Home', 'Library', 'Toolkits', 'Courses & events', 'News', 'Blog', 'About us', and 'Contact'. The main content area is titled 'Library For Health Research Reporting' and includes a search bar, a list of reporting guidelines (CONSORT, STARD, STROBE, PRISMA, COREQ, ENTREQ, SQUIRE, CHEERS) with links to full records, checklists, and flow diagrams. There are also sections for 'Translations', 'Guidance on scientific writing', and 'Research funders' guidance on reporting requirements'.

Our **LIBRARY** provides an up-to-date collection of guidelines and policy documents related to health research reporting.

These are aimed mainly at authors of research articles, journal editors, peer reviewers and reporting guideline developers.

Fully searchable DATABASE OF REPORTING GUIDELINES:

The search interface allows users to browse for reporting guidelines by selecting one or more of the following drop-downs: Study type, Clinical area, and Section of report. It also includes a search bar for free text and a 'Search Reporting Guidelines' button.

Are you looking for all available guidance for reporting trials or other research designs?

- Browse by "Study type"

Are you looking for guidelines focusing on reporting clinical aspects of research?

- Browse by "Clinical area"

Are you looking for guidance on how to report a particular part of your manuscript?

- Browse by "Section of report"

TOOLKITS

- Authors**
Information and resources for authors
- Editors**
Information and resources for editors and peer reviewers
- Developers**
Information and resources for guideline developers

This section of our website will help you to use guidance listed in our Library to promote, teach and practice accurate, complete and ethical publication of health research.

- Librarians**
Information and resources for librarians
- Teachers**
Information and resources for librarians



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Introducing the new EQUATOR website

The new EQUATOR website homepage features a clean design with a navigation menu (Home, Library, Toolkits, Courses & events, News, Blog, About us, Contact) and a main heading: 'The resource centre for good reporting of health research studies'. It highlights the 'Library for health research reporting' and 'Key reporting guidelines' sections, each with a list of reporting guidelines and links to full records, checklists, and flow diagrams. A large image of a classical building is featured on the right side.

Toolkits

The EQUATOR Network works to improve the reliability and value of medical research literature by promoting transparent and accurate reporting of research studies.

Our Toolkits support different user groups, including:

- Authors**
Information and resources for authors
- Editors**
Information and resources for editors and peer reviewers
- Developers**
Information and resources for guideline developers
- Librarians**
Information and resources for librarians
- Teachers**
Information and resources for librarians

EQUATOR highlights

9/08/2013 - EQUATOR Network at the Peer Review Congress 2013 in Chicago

EQUATOR will be present at the Seventh International Congress on Peer Review and Biomedical Publication, 8-10 September 2013. We are organising the EQUATOR workshop for editors on reporting of research studies (Saturday 7 September am) and the EQUATOR 5th Annual ... [Read More](#)

9/08/2013 - Psychdisclosure.org

A novel open-science initiative that provides a platform for authors of recently published articles in psychology to disclose four methodological design specification details that are not required to be disclosed under current reporting standards but that are critical for accurate ... [Read More](#)

8/08/2013 - Declaration of transparency

A BMJ editorial published today proposes that authors of research papers are asked to sign a declaration that their paper is not misleading. The scientific community and the public at large deserve an accurate and complete record of research. However ... [Read More](#)

Interesting videos

WEBINAR: Doug Altman – Transparent reporting of health research is essential

Recording of the EQUATOR – PAHO February 2013 webinar on good reporting of health research studies. The webinar was presented by Doug Altman, founder of the EQUATOR Network and Director of the Centre for Statistics in Medicine, Oxford.

[Watch the video on Youtube](#)

News

EQUATOR Annual Lecture 2013

6/08/2013

Restoring invisible and abandoned trials (RIAT)

19/06/2013

EQUATOR LinkedIn group

14/06/2013

EQUATOR – PAHO webinar (free): 24 June 2013

14/06/2013

Review of adherence to reporting guidelines in health care literature

24/05/2013

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Latest guest blogger

20/03/2013

Basic Statistical Reporting for Articles Published in Biomedical Journals: The "Statistical Analyses and Methods in the Published Literature" or "The SAMPL Guidelines" Thomas A. Lang and Douglas G. Altman. "Have they reflected that the sciences founded on observation can ... [Read More](#)

New content

New features

New organisation

www.equator-network.org

The EQUATOR Network – background information

The EQUATOR (Enhancing the Quality and Transparency of Health Research) Network is an international initiative that seeks to improve the reliability and value of published health research literature by promoting transparent and accurate reporting and wider use of robust reporting guidelines. It is the first coordinated attempt to tackle the problems of inadequate reporting systematically and on a global scale; it advances the work done by individual groups over the last 15 years.

The Network has **seven major goals:**

- Develop and maintain a comprehensive online resource centre providing up-to-date information, tools and other materials related to health research reporting (Library for Health Research Reporting)
- Assist in the development, dissemination and implementation of robust reporting guidelines
- Actively promote the use of reporting guidelines and good research reporting practices through an education and training programme
- Support journals in implementing reporting guidelines and conduct regular assessments of how journals use these guidelines
- Conduct regular audits of reporting quality across the health research literature
- Set up a global network of local EQUATOR centres to facilitate the improvement of health research reporting on a worldwide scale
- Develop a general strategy for translating principles of responsible research reporting into practice

Key deliverables of the EQUATOR programme include:

- Online resources facilitating good reporting practice
- Education and training programme supporting good reporting
- Global network of local EQUATOR centres raising standards in health research conduct and reporting on a local (national) level



The EQUATOR Network was officially launched in June 2008. Since its launch, the programme has already achieved **important milestones:**

- Developed a free online Library for health research reporting (<http://www.equator-network.org/>)
- In collaboration with the Pan American Health Organisation (PAHO) launched the Spanish version of the EQUATOR website and signed a three year memorandum on mutual collaboration in promoting responsible research reporting in PAHO South American and Caribbean regions (<http://www.espanol.equator-network.org/>)
- Built international recognition and reputation as the leading authority and resource portal in the area of health research reporting. Reference to EQUATOR is included in the "*Recommendations for the Conduct, Reporting, Editing, and Publication of Scholarly Work in Medical Journals*" (formerly Uniform Requirements for Biomedical Manuscripts), the most fundamental guidelines developed by the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE) that are followed by most biomedical journals
- Organised workshops, seminars, talks and Annual Lectures on issues relevant to research reporting
- Published a number of research papers and articles promoting good research reporting; published a regular online newsletter and set up a LinkedIn group disseminating information about new reporting guidelines and the latest developments



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