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# HUMAN FACTORS

## Guidelines for authors

Dutch Journal for Human Factors, dossier articles

### Aim

A dossier highlights a knowledge area within the ergonomics through three articles on current research carried out at three different universities/knowledge institutes. The three articles may deal with different topics within the sub-area. The special theme is prepared and coordinated by one or two Editor(s). The special theme contains recent scientific research, but need to contain no scientific articles. Readability of the articles – also for non-scientists – is very important. Authors must describe those elements of their research which they would also tell proudly to an interested person 'from outside'.

### Frame text

Together with each article, a frame text is placed with a different background color, which serves as a reading guide. It provides the reader with answers to the following questions: what can you do with this article (what is the most important discovery or learning experience) and what is it about (short summary)? The framework is written by the author and is accessible and readable for non-scientists:

*E.g. NOT: 'the survey shows the importance of the role of the functional anatomy versus the psychosocial causes for treatment of low back pain', BUT RATHER 'this research shows that a better model of the cooperation between our muscles and bones can help to avoid doctors to judge the complex lower back pain too quickly as purely psychological. The article describes how this model is found and its importance for the design of training for the back and prevention or treatment of pain'.*

Try to describe why this investigation or the approach may be relevant for different industries as well. Appoint striking learning points; what are the positive points in the approach and what would be your advice to others starting a similar study to do or not to do? This is not always described in a scientific article but is important for the reader.

### Manuscript submission

Specifications for all items, on the title page the following information is provided:

- authors,
- corresponding author,
- title
- the number of words.

Of the corresponding author, name, employer, and the contact details (postal address, telephone number, email address) is provided as well as a photograph (portrait, 300 dpi); of all authors, name and initials, title, position and employer is provided. Normalized quantities (SI) and symbols are used.

Articles are up to 2,500 words long, including citation. If this number is exceeded, the editor will shorten the text

The title is max. 5 words long and any subtitle is max. 10 words long.

Sub headings are short, clear, informative and applicable and not numbered.

Figures and images are informative and clear: what is the core message and is this quickly evident when viewing the figure?

The method section is described in the past tense, results as much as possible in the present tense.

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Figures/illustrations/photos in separate files with at least 300 dpi at the size you want.

Charts and graphs in Excel - format.

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