How to write a Review article

A Review article is a survey of literature on a particular topic. As such, it can be an extremely useful tool for researchers:

1. It helps providing an introduction to the existing literature
2. It organizes and condenses current research
3. It provides perspectives on potential new research areas to explore

Preparing a Review article

- Start giving an overview of the topic, and explain the reasons why a review is needed.
- Present a critical discussion, including possible element(s) of debate if in the research area there are contradictory studies, and make sure to explore and illustrate both sides of the quarrel.
- Assess the topic from a new standpoint – Review articles should portray ideas not yet considered.
- In the conclusion sentences, provide suggestions for future research.

Identify a descriptive Title for your Review article

- Be creative yet clear – Remember the Title is the shop window of your article.

Write an accurate and informative Abstract

- Be concise yet instructive – Remember the Abstract has to attract readers’ attention.

Find Keywords

- They should be self-standing and explanatory: Do not forget to make them interest-attracting. Do not repeat words already used in the title: they become redundant.

Each Publisher has its own style guidelines, so always consult the Publisher’s Guide for Authors also for the References list and citations format.