

Instructions for the submission of abstracts to the final conference of COST E53 in Edinburgh, May 2010

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These instructions have been prepared in the format required for abstracts for the COST E53 conference in Edinburgh.

The abstract should be at least 200 words, but must not exceed 400 words. It should be a concise, stand-alone, summary of your paper in UK English without any references, figures, tables and equations. Any quantities given should be SI units leaving a space between the number and the unit.

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