

STROBE STATEMENT FOR ABSTRACTS

STROBE Statement—Items to be included when reporting observational studies in a conference abstract;

Item	Recommendation
Title	Indicate the study’s design with a commonly used term in the title (e.g cohort, casecontrol, cross sectional)
Authors	Contact details for the corresponding author
Study design	Description of the study design (e.g cohort, case-control, cross sectional)
Objective	Specific objectives or hypothesis
Methods	
Setting	Description of setting, follow-up dates or dates at which the outcome events occurred or at which the outcomes were present, as well as any points or ranges on other time scales for the outcomes (e.g., prevalence at age 18, 1998-2007).
Participants	<p><i>Cohort study</i>—Give the most important eligibility criteria, and the most important sources and methods of selection of participants. Describe briefly the methods of follow-up</p> <p><i>Case-control study</i>—Give the major eligibility criteria, and the major sources and methods of case ascertainment and control selection</p> <p><i>Cross-sectional study</i>—Give the eligibility criteria, and the major sources and methods of selection of participants</p>
Variables	<p><i>Cohort study</i>—For matched studies, give matching and number of exposed and unexposed</p> <p><i>Case-control study</i>—For matched studies, give matching criteria and the number of controls per case</p> <p>Clearly define primary outcome for this report.</p>
Statistical methods	Describe statistical methods, including those used to control for confounding
Results	
Participants	Report Number of participants at the beginning and end of the study
Main results	<p>Report estimates of associations. If relevant, consider translating estimates of relative risk into absolute risk for a meaningful time period</p> <p>Report appropriate measures of variability and uncertainty (e.g., odds ratios with confidence intervals)</p>
Conclusions	General interpretation of study results