Research Summary Template

*Part 1 of this document covers important information for distributing and linking to your paper. Part 2 forms the body of your summary. Write in a simple, conversational tone. Avoid technical jargon and provide definitions.*

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*See examples at:*

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# Part 1 – Meta data

**Citation:**

**DOI:** *(please include the hyperlink)*

**Open Access: Yes/No**

**Contact: (name, institute, email)**

**Social Media Handles:** *Who should be tagged in social media posts promoting your lay summary e.g. researchers’ or institute’s Facebook page or Twitter handles.*

**Audience:** *Who should know about your research? policy makers, doctors, nutritionists, aged care workers, women who are trying to conceive, pre-menopausal women…* be as specific as possible.

**Keywords:** *These will be used on the website and as hashtags on social media posts.*

# Part 2 - Research Summary Text

**Heading:** *Attention-getting headline – Not the title of paper*

**Fast Facts:** *Highlight the most important points in the summary (3-4 bullet points).*

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**Background:** *Why should people care about this topic and your outcomes? What do they need to understand first? (1-2 paragraphs)*

**What did the researchers do?** *100 words. Include the cohort, ages, survey year/number, factors analysed or accounted for.*

**What did the research find?** *100 words. Was there anything surprising in your results? What are the implications? Graphs and tables are welcome. For copyright reasons we will recreate and simplify graphics from the paper.*

**How can readers use this research?** *What is the takeaway message or action for your audience?*

**Policy implications:** *How does the research relate to existing policies and guidelines?*

**Quote:** *1-2 sentences in your own words on the implications or findings.*