

Research Experience and Mentoring

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MODULE: ABSTRACT CRITIQUE

MENTOR GUIDE

Checklist

Prior	to meeting with mentee(s)
	Familiarize yourself with the module materials, including the example abstract
	Locate several example abstracts, preferably from your own work or work from your lab
	Ask mentee(s) to read at least one abstract prior to meeting with mentor
Discussion with mentee(s)	

- Definition and purpose of an abstract
- Critique criteria for abstracts as discussed in the module overview document
- Five minute reflection

Suggested Schedule

- 1. Contact mentee(s) and assign abstract reading assignment
- 2. Schedule mentor-mentee meeting
- 3. Discuss definition and purpose of abstracts. Refer to articles from previous modules (if applicable) for examples of different types of abstracts.
- 4. Introduce abstract critique criteria.
- 5. Critique provided abstract (overview document) or separate mentor-provided abstract together (mentor – mentee)
- 6. Optional Assignment Mentee homework, find and critique an abstract for research article relevant to group research
- 7. Review the completed five-minute reflection and discuss any points of confusion