

Adressing different audiences with your research

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What is the purpose of giving a scientific presentation?

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- Provide interesting information to the audience
 - What can they learn from what you do?
- Explain the relevance of your work
 - Why is it important what you do?
- Demonstrate the scientific quality of your work
 - Research answering an open question
 - Find evidence based on objective investigation
 - Drawing conclusions based on the evidence

















What is the motivation of the work? What is the research question? Conclusions: What have we learned w.r.t the rearch question?



Science: Literature, Materials, Methods, Results, Discussion











Example Audience: 10yo school kids



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Find a relation to their world: where does your field of work show up in their world? \rightarrow motivation for your work



Very little about science, think about what they can understand with their knowledge and what not



Tell things about your work that might be interesting for them (even if it is not so relevant for the science)





Example Audience: non-technical Industry representatives



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How does your work address relevant issues and topics in their field of business



Describe science not too technical but from the ,what information does it give us' perspective



Try to work out conclusions that provide some learning for them. Focus on findings that might be relevant for their business / work





Example Audience: Scientists



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Clearly identify what open question (that is not answered by literature) is addressed



Take time to explain methods, results and conclusions well.



Make sure your conclusions are backed by your research results. Discuss your findings with respect to what you found in the literature.

