**Formatting Guidelines for Abstract**

The abstract should be written as a single paragraph in English and the text should be set to 1-line spacing. A Times New Roman font format must be used, and margins should be set at 2.5 cm for all sides. It should not normally exceed 200 words.

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Authors (times new roman 10 front size in regular)

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Abstract (times new roman 12 front size in regular)

Keywords (times new roman 12 front size in regular)

**Example of Abstract:**

**Quantification of soil structural quality using VIS-NIR spectra**

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**Abstract**

Application of visible (VIS) and near-infrared (NIR) spectroscopy for prediction of soil properties offers a cost and time-effective approach for evaluation of soil quality. ……………………………………………

………VIS-NIR spectra produced acceptable models for predicting relevant soil structural indicators sensitive enough to detect the impact of current agricultural management practices. Therefore, combination of spectroscopic and chemometric techniques can be applied as a practical, rapid, low cost and quantitative approach for evaluating soil structural quality under arable and grassland management systems in Ireland.

*Keywords:* soil structural quality, soil management