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**Hypotheses and/or research questions** *– Formulate concisely. Provide a clear link with the method in the next paragraph.*

**Method** *– Describe the research design, data collection (recruitment, criteria, sample size, power), experimental procedures, and data analysis (statistical tests/models, outcome variables). Provide an accurate description of the method in line with the hypotheses and/or research questions.*

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