

Author instructions for the 23rd Australian weeds conference: Paper format

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Summary Two files have been prepared to assist authors preparing papers for the 22AWC - Australian Weeds Conference. This file (23AWC Full paper guidelines) provides author instructions. The other (23AWC Full paper template) has been formatted so that you can type into each section and produce the output required for the proceedings. These files have been prepared in Microsoft Word.

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INTRODUCTION

These instructions are presented in the standard format required for proceedings of Australasian Weeds Conferences. This method of presentation has been designed to simplify the preparation of papers for this conference. Enter your text into the document “23AWC Full paper template” where indicated and the formatting will be automatic. Rename the document with your surname (e.g. Jones.doc).

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RESULTS

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Keynote papers	8	–
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Submitted papers	4	4
LSD (p<0.05)	na	na

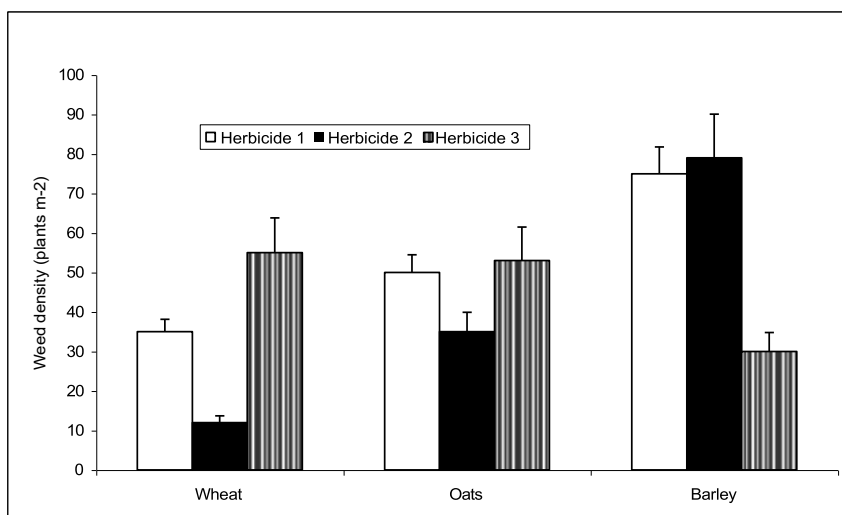
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Figure 1. Effect of three herbicide treatments on total weed density in three cereal crops. Each column is the mean of five replicates (standard error bars shown).



DISCUSSION

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