



The Trial Protocol Tool

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The Trial Protocol Tool is a tool that supports the production of a high quality research protocol. It provides a checklist of issues that should be considered when writing a protocol, examples of how these issues have been addressed by other researchers and a library of full protocols.

The browser-based version of the Trial Protocol Tool comes in a zipped file called TPT_en_web.zip (English version) or TPT_sp_web.zip (Spanish version). The first thing to do is to extract the files within the zipped file: you can do this by double-clicking on the zipped file, choose 'Extract all files' form the left-hand menu of Windows Explorer and then follow the instructions in the Extraction Wizard.

The browser-based version of the Trial Protocol Tool comes in a folder called 'Trial Protocol Tool_sp (Web)' and this folder contains another folder called 'Collected files', two shortcuts and this 'Read Me' file. One shortcut is for Mac OS X and double-clicking on it should run the Trial Protocol Tool. The second shortcut is for Windows or the Mac and double-clicking it should redirect your browser to the Trial Protocol Tool opening page. If the shortcuts don't work for some reason then you can:

- Open the Collected files folder
- Double-click on TrialProtocolTool.html

'TrialProtocolTool.html' is the opening page of the Trial Protocol Tool. You might want to make a shortcut to this file on your machine.

NB.: your local security settings may block some of the Trial Protocol Tool's content because it uses something called Active X. It's usually possible to solve this by right-clicking on the banner at the top of the browser where the message about blocking content is displayed and then selecting 'Allow Content Blocked'.

If you need any more help then send an email to: streweek@mac.com

Regards,

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