Brief Introduction

Write about a page on your topic. Why are you interested in it? What do you know about it already? What is your thesis? Why did you choose it? What reading have you done about this topic? What are your worries or concerns about this research project? Is there any help that you need now?

Over the years my concern with my daily food consumption increased. I was consuming majorly processed food. After speaking to one of my uncles, who works in the meat industry in the US, I realized that I need to undertake further research about the meat alternative available. Hence, I started reading scholarly sources through google scholar as well as the AUS library website. Upon, reading several sources, I realized that lab grown meat has increased in popularity as a viable option to processed meat. Additionally, after learning about the harmful impact on human welfare, climate as well as torture of animals due to practices within the traditional meat industry, I became keen to write a comprehensive research paper on the topic.

Over the past few years, advocates of lab grown meat have presented feasible reasons as to why the products should be readily adopted on a large scale. First, cultured meat would help put a stop to barbarism, inhumanity, and animal cruelty, given the fact that billions of livestock animals are reared in poor conditions to simply satisfy human demands. Second, lab grown meat is also deemed to be a viable solution to the global climate change crisis, given that the production process does not require a lot of resources such as land and water, and does not entail the release of potent gases such as methane that contribute heavily to global warming. Lastly, lab grown meat will provide multiple health benefits including solving antibiotic resistance, which is a major challenge in today's world. At the same time, critics contend that lab grown meat has major drawbacks, thereby should be banned. First, these people argue that lab grown meat is

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expensive. Critics also suggest that lab grown meat is yet to be readily accepted by consumers as a viable alternative to livestock meat, mainly because of costs, taste, and the novelty of the production technology. This research paper will argue that lab grown meat is a suitable alternative to livestock meat because it addresses animal cruelty, climate change and health risks associated with livestock meat.

References

Using APA formatting, list at least two high quality journal articles references that you are considering using.

Chriki, S., & Hocquette, J.F. (2020). The myth of cultured meat: A review. *Frontiers in Nutrition*, *7*(4), 7-16. doi:10.3389/fnut.2020.00007

Heffernan, O. (2017). Sustainability: A meaty issue. *Nature*, *544*(7651), S18-S20. doi:10.1038/544S18a.

Planning

Using the formatting of previous students (see writingtheresearchpaper.com), make a very detailed plan for the semester.

I am enrolled in five courses this semester including Advanced Academic Writing (ENG 204), Electric Circuits I (ELE 211), Differential Equations (MTH 205), Digital Systems (COE 221), and Survey of Art (Art 101). As an electrical engineering major, I enjoy learning technical skills, but I also enjoy reading and writing. I enjoy reading and watching documentaries about technological advancements and environmental sustainability. Specifically, over the past few years, learning about environmental sustainability and reflecting on my personal lifestyle has

made me change my habits and perception towards many ideas. Thus, I am highly convinced that the topic I have chosen for ENG 204 research shall make the course enjoyable for me rather than being burdensome and hectic as my other major courses.

I have already started with extensive research on the topic and have prepared a tentative plan for the semester to ensure that I do not miss any deadlines for ENG 204 as well as can keep up with other courses' submissions and exams. After submitting this research plan, the next major assignment for ENG 204 is due in Week 6, which is the research proposal. Therefore, over the coming weekend and the weekend of Week 4, I plan to shortlist some scholarly articles and draft an outline for the paper. During Week 5 on Wednesday and Friday, I will work on the other section of the research proposal. I have three midterms due in Week 6 for ELE 211, ART 101 and COE 221, which will keep me occupied during this week. In Week 7, I have a midterm for MTH 205.

After the midterms, I will resume working on the working draft during the second half of Week 7, Week 8 and Week 9. I have midterms again in Week 10 for the other courses, thereby I will prepare for the progress report in Week 9. I also have HWs due for ELE 211 and COE 221 every week, which I shall complete on each Saturday. Finally, I will work on final draft of the paper during Week 11, 12, and 13.