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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AERAs	Aerospace Engineering Research Articles
TurAFA	Turkish Air Force Academy
IMRD/CInt	roduction-Methods-Results-Discussion/Conclusion
EAP	English for Academic Purposes
ESP	English for Specific Purposes
GE	General English
CARS	Create a Research Space
ELT	English Language Teaching
EOP	English for Occupational Purposes
EVP	English for Vocational Purposes
EPP	English for Professional Purposes
ESAP	English for Specific Academic Purposes
EGAP	English for General Academic Purposes
CASM	Composites Applied Science and Manufacturing
CS	Composites Structures
MSE	Materials Science and Engineering
AST	Aerospace Science and Technology

## ÖZET

Swales'in (1990) çığır açan, araştırma makalelerinin giriş bölümlerini incelediği, adım yapısı çalışmasından bu güne kadar pek çokları CARS modelini çok farklı alanlarda yazılmış olan makalelerin farklı bölümlerine uygulamışlardır (Örnek olarak doğal bilimler, sosyal bilimler, yardım mektupları ve daha pek çok alan). Bu çalışma tam boyutlu Havacılık ve Uzay mühendisliği araştırma makalelerinde baskın olan adım yapısını incelemiştir. Çalışmanın nihai amacı doğrultusunda, 25 dergi içerisinden seçilen 4 ana dergiden 8 makalelik bir bütünce oluşturulmuştur. Tüm cümleler Kanoksilapatham'ın (2005) bio-kimya araştırma makaleleri için oluşturduğu adım yapılarının uyarlanmış hali kullanılarak kodlanmıştır. Çalışmanın sonuçları göstermiştir ki Havacılık ve Uzay mühendisliği araştırma makalelerinde oluşan bütünce tutarlı bir adım yapısı göstermiştir. Çalışmanın çıktıları, kurumların havacılık ve uzay mühendisliği bölümlerinde okutulan derslere uygulanabilir ayrıca özel/akademik amaçlı İngilizce öğretenler tarafından da kullanılabilir. Çalışma, aynı zamanda, ileride yapılacak olan farklı alanlardaki adım yapısı çalışmalarına ışık tutmaktadır.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Akademik yazım, tür, adım yapısı analizi, havacılık ve uzay mühendisliği araştırma makaleleri

### ABSTRACT

Since Swales' (1990) pioneer move analysis study, which analyzed the research article introductions, many have applied CARS model to different sections of articles from varying fields (i.e. natural sciences, social sciences, fundraising letters, and several other fields). The present study investigated the dominant move structures in full-length Aerospace Engineering Research Articles. For the ultimate aim of the study, a corpus of 8 articles from 4 core journals is collected. All the sentences are coded by using an adapted version of Kanoksilapatham's (2005) move structures for biochemistry research articles. The results of the present study showed that Aerospace Engineering research articles have a consistent move structure. The outcomes of this study can be implemented in the writing courses taught in aerospace engineering departments likewise by those who teach EAP/ESP. The findings also supply insights for future move analysis studies in different disciplines.

Keywords: Academic writing, genre, move analysis, aerospace engineering, research articles

#### **CHAPTER I**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The worldwide popularity of English language has also dominated the field of academics and when we talk about the academics, writing comes at the first place. For an academician to make his/her paper published or to make his/her study heard by the international community, an English medium international journal is almost the only option. Additionally, for academicians, especially those live in non-English speaking countries, it is vital to comprehend articles published in English. Thus, functional organization of these articles become relevant both for readers and especially writers. Therefore, this study coded and analyzed the move structures of research articles in Aerospace Engineering (hereafter AERAs).

#### **1.1. Organization of the Study**

The present thesis is composed of four chapters:

Chapter I introduces the study and states its purpose, related literature, research question, significance, organization, and overview of methodology.

Chapter II provides broad information on the methodology of the present study such as the compilation of the corpus, the basic framework of the study, the coding process of the articles, and the proposed move structure for the field.

Chapter III includes the results of the coding and the discussion of the moves/steps. The observed moves/steps were illustrated by variety of examples.

Chapter IV concludes the study and presents the limitations and the implications of the study for both the EAP instructors and the academicians.

The present thesis ends with references and appendices that are mentioned in the text. The following chapter deals with methodology in detail.

#### **1.2.** Purpose of the Study

Working in a tertiary level institution "Turkish Air Force Academy (TurAFA)" as an English teacher, the present researcher has been teaching a variety of English courses, namely: General English, CBI and EAP to young adults some of whom continue to graduate education in Aeronautics and Space Technologies Institute, within the campus of TurAFA. So those MA and PhD students who are eager to write papers for journals constitute the target group. In a nutshell, this study investigates if there is a dominant move structure in AERAs and if so how can academicians and material developers make use of it?

## **1.3. Review of the Literature**

When we consider any language from the viewpoint of pedagogy, i.e. 'teachability' and 'learnability' of any language, language it can be divided into two broad categories: systems and skills. Pronunciation and grammar make up the former division while reading, writing, listening, and speaking constitute the latter. Another issue to consider is that the more the number of people using English increased the more diversified its sub-divisions (i.e. English for Specific Purposes, English for Academic Purposes, English for General Purposes, English for Science and Technology) would get. Stemming from the increasing number of non-native speakers of English, a new area in language teaching emerged in time: ESP and EAP (Belcher, 2006; Bloor, 1998). Of the skills mentioned above, rather than listening and speaking, reading and writing take over the largest proportion in EAP settings. In EAP, academicians make use of writing as a productive skill considerably. Thus, the scope of the present paper is to identify the functional units by conducting 'move analysis' through AERAs giving opportunity to better read and write academic papers for those teaching and learning in an EAP context.

## 1.3.1. Academic English

Due to the fact that it has been used primarily as the language of the internet, science, and aviation (Krashen, 2006), English language has become the 'leading language' (Hyland and Hamp-Lyons, 2002) in the world recently. In addition to being 'the world's second language' (Krashen, 2006), English language has also been considered as the language of the academic world. Therefore, qualifying proficiency in English language has become a crucial part of the professional life for academicians who would like to follow the recent developments in their respective disciplines. They have to gain proficiency in English Language Teaching replied to this demand with English for Academic Purposes (EAP) since it appeared around 35 years ago (Hyland and Hamp-Lyons, 2002).

English for Academic Purposes (EAP) can briefly be defined as 'teaching English with the aim of facilitating learners' study or research in that language (Jordan, 1997, p.1). We need to consider the fact that 'EAP has emerged out of the broader field of ESP, a theoretically and pedagogically eclectic parent, but one committed to tailoring instruction to specific rather than general purposes' (Hyland and Hamp-Lyons, 2002). Richards and Schmidt also see EAP within the framework of ESP (Richards and Schmidt, 2002, p. 181).

The immersion of this sub-field (EAP) has reformed how English had been taught and perceived and reformed the English Language Teaching programs at especially tertiary level in English as a Foreign/Second Language settings. When we think of the number of users of English (including non-native speakers of English), English medium academic settings have grown enormously. Even in many non-English speaking countries such as Nigeria, Philippines, Tanzania (Kachru, 1992), medium of instruction is English.

EAP takes its ground from the fact that English has been the world language in general and the language of science as was statistically depicted by Benfield and Howard (2000). In 1996, 88.6% of medical citations were in English in Medline whereas German citations covered only 2.2%, Japanese 1.8%, and Spanish 1.2% which also shows the extent to which English language has reached (ibid., 2000, p. 643). Additionally, the number of EAP specialists and/or EAP teachers increased in accordance with the fact that learners of EAP suddenly increased. Still, EAP is a growing need for both native and nonnative contexts as was proposed by Johnson and Parrish (2010).

In order to assist EAP practitioners, Schleppegrell (2002) studied the linguistic challenges of academic language and tried to illustrate the way knowledge is displayed, information is organized, and an authoritative voice is constructed. According to that study it can be derived that academic language is information-packed, has dense clauses with technical and abstract language. And the organization of information is "multi-semiotic" in all disciplines, and in writing, students are expected to take up particular ways of identifying the different kinds of texts they are asked to respond to.

Below is a comparison chart between EAP and General English (GE) in order to explore what EAP is or what it is not. The Differences between GE and EAP is clearly put forward by Alexander, Argent, and Spencer (2008, pp. 3-5).

Table 1.

CONTEXT	GENERAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TECHING	ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES
1. What drives the syllabus?	Level driven: the main focus is what	Goal driven: the main focus is where
	a student can and cannot do now.	a student has to get, often in relation
		to specific academic course.
2. Time available	Relatively flexible: a student may opt	Not flexible: time is strictly limited
	in and out of ELT at various points in	and an EAP course is probably a
	adult life with different motivations.	'one-off' endeavor for a student.

Comparisons of GE and EAP (Alexander, Argent, and Spencer, 2008, pp. 3-5)

	For most students, the outcome is a	For almost all students, the only
student?	sense of personal achievement or relevant outcome is entry to	
	certification of the language level	successful completion of university
	attained, not necessarily involving	study. Failure is costly in time,
	high stakes.	money and career prospects.

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4. Student motivation	Motives are varied and general.	Motives are specific. A high
	Students often learn General English	proportion of EAP students learn
	out of interest in the language and	English as a means to entering a
	associated cultures or a wish to become	course at an English-medium
	part of a global community.	university or in order to access a
		particular academic community.
5. Teachers	Attracts predominantly graduates in the	Attracts a significant number of
	humanities, e.g., English (usually	graduates in evidence-based
	literature), linguistics or European	academic disciplines, such as
	languages.	science, social science, business
		studies.
6. Teacher-student roles	Unequal: teachers are seen as language	Teachers and students are more
	experts and students as language	equal: both are learning about the
	novices.	academic community.

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7. Language Content	Potentially, the totality of the English	Content is limited to academic
(grammar and vocabulary)	language is possible content. Usually,	discourse, e.g., emphasis on
	students need to be equipped for a wide	academic style: academic vocabulary
	range of communicative situations.	and associated grammar and
		discourse features.
8. Language-skills balance	Speaking and listening are usually	The main emphasis is on reading and
	given more importance than reading	writing. Some EAP students have a
	and writing. Exams or students may	specific need, such as academic
	determine the weighting given.	reading or writing for publication.
9. Materials	Texts and tasks are often chosen for	Texts and tasks are drawn from
	self-expression and are usually short	degree study. They are for
	and quickly covered; personal response	communicating information and are
	and creativity are valued.	inherently long and dense. Clarity
		and objectivity are valued in student

writing.

10. Text choice	Texts are often chosen from	Text choice is based on academic
	entertaining, easily accessible genres.	genres: students learns about
	Traditionally, there has been an	audience, purpose and organization
	emphasis on sentence grammar, with	as well as rhetorical functions and
	topic driving text choice.	inform structure.
11. Text exploitation	Variety and pace of activities are	Texts require more time for full
	important in delivery, leading to a	exploration. Each text may have a
	tendency to move quickly from text to	range of learning focuses. Texts may
	text to maintain interest, each text	be linked thematically.
	having a different topic and learning	
	focus.	
12. Other skills content	There is little emphasis on study skills,	Study skills are emphasized and
	or these focus on language learning	made explicit, particularly learner
	only. Cognitive skills are not explicitly	independence and cognitive skills,
	included.	especially critical thinking.

Pennycook (1997) viewed EAP from the point of pragmatism in that narrowing down general English (GE) into achievable parts is much more cost-effective as follows;

"... if we are to encourage research that is pragmatic in the sense of looking at the everyday contexts of teaching, I would argue that this should be a critical, rather than a vulgar, pragmatism, a position that is deeply concerned about efforts to maintain the status quo, and insists that while we do have to get on with our teaching, we also have to think very seriously about the broader implications of everything we do." (p. 226)

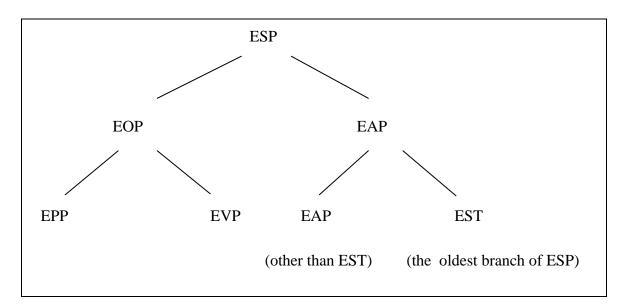
It can be easily understood from Table 1 that, there are certain differences between GE and EAP in terms of three main domains: general perspective, people, and content. These three domains are divided into 12 different contexts showing that there is a difference between what we call GE and EAP.

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Going back to GE and ESP issue within which EAP has emerged, Jordan (2002) mentions the development of EAP in the world and in the UK revealing the reasons behind. Moreover, he gives the following model to show the categorization of ESP:

Figure 1.

Divisions of ESP (Jordan, 1997, p. 3)



Regarding the recent definition of the concept of EAP, McDonough (2005) received the answer from Hyland at an interview on EAP as follows. The answer indicates the sudden growth and diversion/immersion of EAP out of ESP showing the extent to which the definition of the concept of EAP has reached since its emergence:

EAP and ESP were both fledgling fields only 20 years ago... When the English for Specific Purposes journal was begun by Grace Stovall Mancill of the American University in Washington in 1980, it was a gamble to start even one journal concerned with ESP, EAP, and related areas. For some years, it was a struggle to fill the pages of two issues a year. ...we seek to show that the breadth and depth of work done and to be done in EAP is more than sufficient to fill the pages of a quarterly journal, as JEAP will be by 2003. (p. 57)

## **1.3.2.** Genre Analysis

When considered in terms of terminology, there are two frequently cited terms: genre and register. Register is mainly referred as "the style of language used in a particular context such as formal and informal" (Alexander et al., 2008, p. 37)

Identifying the register of a text is an important part of corpus linguistics. When reading a news report on the Internet, one can easily realize that it is different from the text written in a novel. In the same way, the language used in the academic text is distinctly different from the language used in other texts. The content and the topics are usually different and the depth will also be different in both cases. At this point register analysis comes as a way to study academic texts.

On the other hand, genre is referred as "the types of texts used by groups who share communicative purposes, e.g., cause and effect" (ibid. p. 37). For Hyland (2004, p.4), "Genre is a term for grouping texts together, representing how writers typically use language to respond to recurring situations". Swales (1990, p.58) defines "a genre comprises a set of communicative events, the members of which share some set of communicative purposes".

Swales asserts that the term genre is a "fuzzy" concept (1990, p. 33). He categorizes and explains the term genre in four main divisions and asserts a working definition. Genre in folklore studies gained attention during 1970s and has been referred as forms. Genre in literary texts is shaped by the evolution and development of creative arts like film, music and art taking part in literature. Genre provided an interpretive and evaluative frame for a piece of art then. Genre in linguistics was considered as a part of speech activities. What we call genre was associated with type of communicative event offering some examples. Genre in rhetoric provided applicable contribution to the purpose of genre trying to offer illuminating analysis rather than classifying. Coming to the working definition, Swales (1990, pp. 33-58) lists the following features of genre: 1. A genre is a class of communicative events.

2. The principal criterial feature that turns a collection of communicative events into a genre is some shared set of communicative purposes.

3. Exemplars or instances of genres vary in their prototypicality.

4. The rationale behind a genre establishes constraints on allowable contributions in terms of their content, positioning, and form.

5. A discourse community's nomenclature for genres is an important source of insight.

Considering the above definition of genre, what constitute academic community may be summarized as researchers, academicians, undergraduates, and graduates. They have their own genre comprising articles, essays, and reports. This communication among those academicians and their followers comprise the academic genre peculiar to themselves. Genre can both be spoken or written. The scope of the present paper is limited to written academic texts by a specific academic community (genre).

Defining the type of a text and assisting for professional needs are significant as was asserted by Kutsal and Karahan (2008). They studied medical academicians and categorized their preferences about academic text organization. The results showed that the subjects wanted to see an outline of academic text both in their language and in target language in international publications.

If it is of key importance to conduct needs analysis in ESP and EAP in order to design a syllabus or curriculum (Dudley-Evans, 1991), it entails to carry out genre analysis, which will make it easier and more possible to realize the aimed syllabus along with its components.

Genre was also studied by scholars in non-English context. For instance, Aarts et. al. (2011, p. 1212) studied the issue in Turkish context by developing a coding scheme which investigated the characteristics of academic language and concluded that "the coding scheme can be used to analyze the degree of academicness of language samples in an equivalent way

in different languages." Similarly, Asencion-Delaney and Collentine (2011) also conducted a study in Spanish context.

Genre analysis reveals more than academic assets. For example, while Hyland (2003; 2008) views genre analysis as a social process, Berkenkotter and Huckin (1995) studied genre from socio-cognitive perspective and asserted that genres reveal much about a community's norms, epistemology, ideology, as well as its social ontology. In the same vein, Bhatia (1993; 1997a; 1997b) studied genre from various perspectives focusing specifically on world Englishes and concluded that English has become the language the majority of the world uses as a lingua franca; therefore, this language should be focused on various perspectives, such as acquisition, methodology, and paradigm. Similarly, linguists should focus on these perspectives for the sake of understanding the genre.

The relationship between genre analysis and ESP is argued by some writers. For instance, Dudley-Evans (1997) views genre analysis as a key to ESP. Accordingly, Hüttner et. al. (2009) asserted the necessity to train ESP teachers in order to respond to the growing demand of learners, too. Flowerdew (1998; 2005) focused on corpus-based and genre-based approaches to ESP and EAP in order to get benefit of the field and in order to systematically deal with the field.

To sum up, genre analysis studies have arose due to a need for better understanding organizations of texts in a specific field in terms of communicative purposes. With the growth of academic studies especially the international ones genre analysis has gained much more attention as it helped the writers and the readers to internalize the texts with its communicative functions. Following part explains how these communicative functions operate.

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### **1.3.3.** Move Analysis

Kanoksilapatham, (2007) described the move as "a section of a text that performs a specific communicative function". Narrowing down the issue of EAP, the basic purpose of move analysis seems to analyze especially academic texts in order for the academicians to assist in their article writing or text construction dealing with the steps taken into account while writing those texts (Biber et al. 2007). There are certain functions assigned to moves as shown in Table 2 below.

#### Table 2

Functions of Moves for Introduction Sections (Hyland, 2000)

Ν	Move	Function
1	Introduction	Establishes the context of the paper and motivates the research.
2	Purpose	Indicates the purpose, and outlines the intention, behind the paper.
3	Method	Provides the information on design, procedures, assumptions, data, etc.
4	Results	States the main findings, the argument or what was accomplished.
5	Conclusion	Interprets or extends the results, draws inferences, points to implications.

The moves in this table are designed only for the introduction part of research papers. Although there are various moves coined by many scholars, this is one of the widely used move coding tables; although a different move coding scheme was adopted for the present paper as described in the methodology section in detail.

Moves can be defined as "the stages through which genres proceed" (Alexander et al., 2008, p. 45). Each of these stages has an objective of its own. In an academic text moves indicate a variety of communicative functions, such as:

- $\checkmark$  Comparing the present findings with those of others.
- $\checkmark$  Discussing the limitations of the present paper.
- $\checkmark$  Giving suggestions to researchers who may study the same topic.

There are various move analyses focusing on separate parts of texts like abstract (Hyland, 2004), introduction (Loi, 2010; Monreal et. al., 2011; Ozturk, 2007; Ruiying and Allison, 2003; Samraj, 2002), literature review (LR) (Kwan, 2006), method (Martinez, 2003), results/conclusion (Bunton, 2005; Holmes, 1997; and Miin & Lim, 2010), and discussion (Bitchener and Basturkmen, 2006; Martinez, 2003; and Peacock, 2002). There are fewer studies focusing on the whole article (Kanoksilapatham, 2005; Li and Ge, 2009; Moshtagi, 2010; and Nwogu, 1997; Posteguillo, 1999; Stoller and Robinson, 2013; and Zhang, 2011).

It can clearly be stated that Swale's (1990) CARS model is really effective and found place in almost all research articles. Accordingly, the researchers applied this model to their own context and there arose the need for different moves and steps to fulfill the communicative function of their own fields. For instance, Bunton (2002) found many moves which were pretty higher when compared to CARS. Moreover, Bunton (2005) examined the conclusion chapters of the PhD theses or dissertations and identified varying moves apart from CARS, too. In an early study held by Crookes (1986), cyclicity of the moves was analyzed and what can be inferred from that is the length of the introduction section is directly related to cyclicity of the moves. Kwan (2006) worked on literature review sections of the applied linguistics doctoral theses and concluded that literature reviews are observed not only in one specific section but also in every section of the thesis.

## **1.3.4.** Pulling it together

It has been clarified in the above discussion that EAP emerged out of ESP which has often been contrasted with GE. For student academicians and professional academicians, text analysis, register analysis, and genre analysis are of key issues bearing in mind the fact that the number of people using English language for academic purposes is considerably high and it is the lingua franca of the academic language.

Of the four skills (reading, writing, listening, and speaking), writing is a key skill for those who are dealing with academic issues since a great proportion of academic studies are conducted through written English which seems to be the medium of communication among scholars with different language backgrounds. In order to assist the academicians write more effective articles and read the articles more effectively, the field of genre analysis or text analysis has a lot to contribute. Additionally, corpus linguistics also can considerably contribute to the issue through a relatively recent interest area called move analysis details of which will be discussed below. Of the field of corpus linguistics, move analysis is a key technique to achieve this purpose.

### **1.4. Research Question**

The present study aims to answer the following question: What are the move structures in full-length (IMRD/C style) Aerospace Engineering research articles?

## 1.5. Significance of the Study

As discussed above, move analysis has gained much attention and many researchers applied the Swales' CARS model to different individual sections (abstracts, introduction, methods, results, discussion) of the articles that are written in various disciplines such as natural sciences, social sciences, applied sciences and several other fields. Few studies investigated research articles in applied sciences--most typically engineering--. Posteguillo (1999) studied articles from computer science. Aerospace Engineering research articles were not studied from a move-analysis perspective; thus, the present study is filling this gap and proposing a model of structure for the Aerospace Engineering field (AERAs), which is the primary branch of the engineering that deals with aircrafts and spacecrafts. Furthermore, proposed model is intended to guide the novice research writers in terms of contextualizing their studies and ease the publishing procedures of their papers. Additionally, given the fact that all universities and post-graduate schools with engineering majors include EAP courses to familiarize their students to the academic community, EAP instructors may find it helpful to put the outcomes of the current study in use in their classroom practices.

#### **CHAPTER II**

#### METHODOLOGY

The present study was designed to explore the move structures of full-length AERAs. The sections below present the selection procedure of the journals and journal articles; framework of the analysis; training of the coders and the coding process.

#### **2.1.** Compilation of the Corpus

To make sure that the proposed move structure to be generalizable to the target discourse (Aerospace Engineering), journal and journal article selection process conducted through close cooperation with an Associate Professor from the Aerospace Engineering Department, TurAFA. The selected four journals among 27 different journals were: *Composites Part A Applied Science and Manufacturing (CASM), Composite Structures (CS), Materials Science and Engineering B (MSE), Aerospace Science and Technology (AST).* The first criterion that affected the selection process was the impact factor of them that three of them have an impact factor ranging from 2.744 to 1.846 according to the Journal Citation Reports (2012). Although AST has an impact factor of 0.873, it is included to the list due to the evaluation of the field expert. The second criterion taken into consideration was the publication year, which was supposed to be recent--between 2005 and 2013. The quick change in the engineering and the aerospace field is the underlying reason for limiting the publication year. Considering the practical reasons, the last criterion was the accessibility of the journals within the data-base of the TurAFA.

After the journals were chosen, articles needed to be selected. As the aim of the study was to discover the patterns of meaning (moves) in AERAs, the field expert and the researcher made his choice basically depending on Stoller and Robinson's (2013) criteria which were applied in their study of chemistry articles and verified to be applicable: Topic, currency, length, and author.

Upon deciding on the criteria 8 articles were selected for the coding and analyzing. As aerospace has a wide range of sub-branches, the selected articles represented the foundations of the field and were familiar to the novice researchers. All the articles have the publication year of 2005 to 2013; and they had an average length of varying 82 to 184 sentences and a corpus of 29451 words in total. To prevent the native/non-native discussions; to insure and minimize grammatical and semantic errors, special care is given to the article choice that all of them have at least one native writer who is identified as natives by their demographic information (name-surname).

Although the number of articles seems to be very few, move analysis requires hand-coding of every single sentence and including more articles would have been beyond the capability of the present researcher.

The list of the articles is presented in Appendix A, and the detailed bibliographical information about the journals and the articles are given in Appendix B.

## 2.2. Kanoksilapatham's Framework

As is discussed in the literature review section, there are some studies whose foci are different fields. As the genre and communicative functions of the articles, furthermore the cultural motives of the writers and the publishers show great differences which resulted in different move categories and numbers.

Developed and revised by Swales (1990), move analysis in the field of English for Specific Purposes (ESP) has gained much attention. Although Swales' study "Create a Research Space (CARS)" (see Table 3) included the introduction sections of the articles, inspired researchers and scholars extended move analyses to different fields and different sections of the articles in numerous studies. Move analysis was also done in texts other than research papers, such as prefaces, job application letters, fundraising letters, and so on.

Table 3

Move 1:	Establishing a territory		
	Step 1	Claiming centrality and/or	
	Step 2	Making topic generalization(s) and/or	
	Step 3	Reviewing items of previous research	
Move 2:	Establishing a niche		
	Step 1A	Counter-claiming or	
	Step 1B	Indicating a gap or	
	Step 1C	Question raising or	
	Step 1D	Continuing a tradition	
Move 3:	Occupying the niche		
	Step 1A	Outlining purposes or	
	Step 1B	Announcing present research	
	Step 2	Announcing principal findings	
	Step 3	Indicating RA structure	

Swales' CARS model for Research Article Introductions, (1990, p.141)

For example, Kwan (2006) proposed a model (see Fig.2) for thematic units in literature review chapters by doing little modifications on Swales (1990) CARS model. This also indicates that the CARS model has a great influence, naturally, on the research articles.

Figure 2.

A move structure for thematic units in literature review chapters (Kwan, 2006, p. 51)

Move 1	Establishing one part of the territory of one's own research by		
Strategy A#	surveying the non-research-related phenomena or knowledge claims		
Strategy B#	claiming centrality		
Strategy C	surveying the research-related phenomena		
Move 2	Creating a research niche (in response to Move 1) by:		
Strategy A	counter-claiming		
Strategy B	gap-indicating		
Strategy C	asserting confirmative claims about knowledge or research practices surveyed		
Strategy D	asserting the relevancy of the surveyed claims to one's own research		
Strategy E	abstracting or synthesizing knowledge claims to establish a theoretical position or a		
	theoretical framework		
Move 3(optional)	Occupying the research niche by announcing:		
Strategy A	research aims, focuses, research questions or hypotheses *		
Strategy B	theoretical positions/theoretical frameworks *		
Strategy C	research design/processes *		
Strategy D	interpretations of terminology used in the thesis *		
*Sub-strategy; justi	fying or claiming contributions		

On the other hand, Nwogu (1997) completely changed the moves and increased the

numbers of moves (see Fig.3) as response to the needs of the medical research papers.

Figure 3.

Outline of moves and their constituent elements (Nwogu, 1997, p. 35)

Introduction	
Move 1:	Presenting Background Information:
by	<ol><li>Reference to established knowledge in the field.</li></ol>
-	(2) Reference to main research problems.
Move 2:	Reviewing Related Research:
by	<ol><li>Reference to previous research.</li></ol>
	(2) Reference to limitations of previous research.
Move 3:	Presenting New Research:
by	<ol><li>Reference to research purpose.</li></ol>
	(2) Reference to main research procedure.
Methods	
Move 4:	Describing Data-Collection Procedure:
by	<ol><li>Indicating source of data.</li></ol>
	(2) Indicating data size.
	(3) Indicating criteria for data collection.
Move 5:	Describing Experimental Procedures:
by	<ol><li>Identification of main research apparatus.</li></ol>
-	(2) Recounting experimental process.
	(3) Indicating criteria for success.
Move 6:	Describing Data-Analysis Procedures:
by	<ol><li>Defining terminologies.</li></ol>
-	(2) Indicating process of data classification.
	(3) Identifying analytical instrument/procedure.
	(4) Indicating modification to instrument/procedure.
Results	
Move 7:	Indicating Consistent Observation:
by	<ol> <li>Highlighting overall observation.</li> </ol>
-	(2) Indicating specific observations.
	(3) Accounting for observations made.
Move 8:	Indicating Non-Consistent Observations:
Discussion	
Move 9:	Highlighting Overall Research Outcome:
Move 10:	Explaining Specific Research Outcomes:
by	<ol><li>Stating a specific outcome.</li></ol>
-	(2) Interpreting the outcome.
	(3) Indicating significance of the outcome.
	(4) Contrasting present and previous outcomes.
	(5) Indicating limitations of outcomes.
Move 11:	Stating Research Conclusions:
by	<ol><li>Indicating research implications.</li></ol>
-	(2) Promoting further research.

Including the above rhetorical moves the number of studies on full-length articles is limited (Skelton, 1994; Nwogu, 1997; Kanoksilapatham, 2005). That is why, for the current

study, an adapted version of Kanoksilapatham's (2005) proposed moves which are shown in Table 4 (for the descriptions, see Appendix C) were taken as the theoretical framework as it was the most current study covering full-length articles in natural science (biochemistry). Besides, when needed, Swales' (2004) and Eveyik-Aydın's (2014) move structures were also benefitted from.

The current study didn't include the abstract sections of the research articles just like Kanoksilapatham's (2005), yet this study differed from Kanoksilapatham's study in some aspects. First, the number o the journals and the articles differs, Kanoksilapatham has worked on 60 articles chosen from 5 journals and comprising of 3488 sentences; however this study has a corpus of 1102 sentences picked from 8 articles. As can be seen, although the number of the articles studied seems to be low, the amount of coded units is enough to conduct the present research

The move coding scheme used in the present paper is given below in section 2.5. *"Proposed Model of Move for Aerospace Engineering Research Articles"* 

Table 4

Budsaba Kanoksilapatham's Model of Move Structure for Biochemistry Research Articles (2007, p.76)

INTRODUCTION		<b>Move 10:</b>	Announcing results
Move 1:	Establishing a topic	Step 1	Reporting results
Move 2:	Preparing for the present study:	Step 2	Substantiating results
	Indicating a gap/raising a question		
Move 3:	Introducing the present study	Step 3	Invalidating results
Step 1	Stating purpose(s)	Move 11:	Commenting results
Step 2	Describing procedures	Step 1	Explaining results
Step 3	Presenting findings	Step 2	Generalizing/interpreting results
METHODS		Step 3	Evaluating results
Move 4:	Describing materials	Step 4	Stating limitations
Step 1	Listing materials	Step 5	Summarizing
Step 2	Detailing the source of the materials	DISCUSSION	
Step 3	Providing the background of the	<b>Move 12:</b>	Contextualizing the study
	materials		
Move 5:	Describing experimental procedures	Step 1	Describing established knowledge
Step 1	Documenting established procedures	Step 2	Generalizing, claiming, deducing

			previous knowledge
Step 2	Detailing procedures	<b>Move 13:</b>	Consolidating results
Step 3	Providing the background of the	Step 1	Restating methodology (purposes,
	procedures		research questions, hypotheses)
Move 6:	Detailing equipment	Step 2	Stating selected findings
Move 7:	Describing statistical procedures	Step 3	Referring to previous literature
RESULTS		Step 4	Explaining differences in findings
Move 8:	Restating methodological issues	Step 5	Making overt
			claims/generalizations
Step 1	Describing aims and purposes	Step 6	Exemplifying
Step 2	Stating research questions	<b>Move 14:</b>	Stating limitations of the study
Step 3	Making hypotheses	<b>Move 15:</b>	Suggesting further research
Step 4	Listing procedures or		
	methodological techniques		
Move 9:	Justifying methodological issues		

#### 2.3. Training of the Coders and the Reliability of Moves

For the current study, the researcher trained by his supervisor who coded thousands of sentences from a wide variety of articles for three weeks on independent articles for familiarization. Following these three-week guided coding sessions, two more articles were coded by the researcher and by another expert independently and re-checked. During this training period, disagreement between coders was discussed and moves were clarified until an agreement is ensured to understand the communicative functions of the sentences.

It is undeniable that deciding on each move type depends on subjective evaluation and the judgment of the coder; so it was hard to achieve high inter-coder agreement. To improve consistency, reliability of the coding of the researcher was verified with a professional coder, who had coded a large number of sentences and was already working on her own doctoral dissertation on move analysis (Eveyik-Aydın, 2014), from Yeditepe University. And all the coding was done independently not to harm the objectivity of the results. Moreover, when bottlenecks occurred due to not being able to understand the content of the sentence, assistance was granted from a field expert; Associate Professor Major Zafer Kazancı in the Aerospace Engineering Department, TurAFA. Percentage agreement of the coders were calculated, additionally, as Brown (1996) mentioned in his testing book, Cohen's  $\mathcal{K}$  is used to evaluate the inter-coder reliability. Moreover, inter-coder reliability of a third coder was calculated to get more objective results. According to Fleiss  $\mathcal{K}$  values (as cited in Kanoksilapatham (2005)) are; less than .40 poor, .40 to .59 fair, .60 to .74 good and more than 75 excellent. The researcher investigated the coding in two levels: Move and Move/Step. For the Move Level inter-coder reliability only move matching is taken into consideration; however Move/Step Level inter-coder reliability looked for both move and step agreement.

The present coding got the value of .78 in Move Level which showed an excellent agreement. On the other hand, Move/Step Level agreement got the value of .45 which meant fair agreement. The reason for the low Move/Step level agreement is the very close relationship between the steps within the moves. When a different code was given by the other rater, the code was not totally an irrelevant move; it was a move that was closer to the move code assigned by the researcher. Additionally, steps are so detailed and there are only little nuances between each step, which makes the coding harder. Therefore; the results of both calculations which are shown below indicate that the table is adequate and the coding is consistent.

#### Table 5

Inter-coder Reliability Analysis

Moves/Steps	Cohen's K
Move Level	.78
Move and Step Level	.45

## 2.4. Coding Moves in the Corpus of Eight-Aerospace Engineering Research Articles

During the coding sessions some sentences were not clearly associated with a specific move. In such cases the researcher applied to the field expert to get a clear explanation of the related sentence.

After carrying out a labor intensive work, each sentence (1102 sentences in total) was coded by the researcher in line with adapted version of Kanoksilapatham's framework for biochemistry articles. All the data (sentence-move matching) was entered into an Excel Spreadsheet to visualize the move pattern (See Appendix D). Additionally, occurrence rates both in each article and in the corpus of the eight articles as a whole were calculated. In the literature, deciding on a move whether it was a conventional or an optional move depends on its occurrence rate.

To clarify, if 60% and more of the articles contain the move, it is considered as conventional and below 60% is considered as optional move (Kanoksilapatham, 2005). However, in this study the moves were observed in entire eight articles so the occurrence rates of the each move were calculated within each article and in total on the basis of sentence

#### 2.5. Proposed Model of Move for Aerospace Engineering Research Articles

At the very beginning of the coding, the researcher decided to use the moves of Kanoksilapatham (2005), however after coding the AERAs for the first time it was discovered that some moves of Kanoksilapatham were not used even for once such as "Move 13 Consolidating Results". Moreover, some moves were in close relation with another move as a move-step relation. Therefore, the researcher excluded some moves while locating some under another move. Then, coding processes led the present researcher to design a move coding scheme that fits the current corpus. The newly made moves and steps were given to other coders, who were also involved in coding so that familiar to the topic, with randomly

selected articles to see whether they work or not. After this piloting process the agreements and disagreements were checked to see the reliability of the updated "moves".

As is shown in Table 6, for the corpus of AERAs, 6 different "moves" and 21 "steps/submoves" are realized. Examples for each category were given later in Results section.

Table 6

Model of Move Structure for AERAs used in the present study

Move 1: Establishing a topic
Step 1: Claiming centrality/importance of the topic
Step 2a: Reviewing items of previous research
Step 2b: Making claims based on the finding of the previous research
Step 2c: Limitations (in other studies' methodology/of the area)
Step 3: Background information about the topic
Move 2: Preparing for the present study
Step 1: Indicating a gap/raising a question
Step 2: Suggesting a different solution/study
Step 3: Stating the value of the present research
Step 4: Making assumptions about the study
Move 3: Describing procedures of the study
Step 1: Listing procedures
Step 2: Detailing procedures (by graphs/figures and equations)
Step 3: Describing procedures through other studies
Step 4: Justifying methodological issues (Suggesting a different procedure, Underlying reasons of a procedure)
Move 4: Describing materials
Step 1: Listing materials by detailing (the amount/features of the materials)
Step 2: Providing the background of the materials
Step 3: Justifying materials
Move 5: Announcing results
Step 1: Reporting results

Step 2: Detailing results by graphs/figures and equations
Step 3: Validating/invalidating results
Move 6: Evaluating results
Step 1: Explaining results
Step 2: Generalizing/interpreting results
Step 3: Stating limitations
Step 4: Suggesting further research

*Move 1: Establishing a topic.* This move is adapted from Swales' (2004) revised CARS model due to appropriateness, as Kanoksilapatham's "Move 1: Announcing the importance of the field" was not general enough to cover AERAs. This move, also, is the gate of the research article and it provides a general view about the study. Move 1 is composed of three steps: *Move 1 Step 1 "claiming centrality/importance of the topic", Move 1 Step 2a "reviewing items of previous research", Move 1 Step 2b "making claims based on the finding of the previous research", Move 1 Step 2c "limitations"* (in other studies' methodology/of the area) and *Move 1 Step 3 "background information about the topic"*.

Move 1 Step 1 aims at attracting the attention of both the reader and the publishers. This Step shows that the study is worth investigating for the researcher and worth reading and publishing by the third parties (publishers and academicians). Move 1 Step 2 is the same as Swales' (1990) Move 1 Step 3 "reviewing items of previous research", yet with a slight difference. The current study needed to divide this move to 3 "sub-steps" as is named above. All the sub-steps are about reviewing the literature but they all have different communicative functions. While these sub-steps review the literature, they make deductions and demonstrate the restrictions which may be helpful to the current study. And Move 1 Step 3 is the backbone of this move as it informs about the established knowledge on the topic. Questions such as

how this topic has emerged, who has studied on this topic, what kind of changes has happened from the beginning of this study, are the key points of this step.

*Move 2: Preparing for the present study.* Move 2 plays the role of bridge between the topic and the study. While Swales (1990) suggest only one step and that emphasize the need to the current study, Kanoksilapatham (2005) doesn't need any step. In this study the researcher and the coder agreed upon 4 different steps which facilitate the bridging process: *Move 2 Step 1 "indicating a gap/raising a question", Move 2 Step 2 "suggesting a different solution/study", Move 2 Step 3 "stating the value of the present research", and Move 2 Step 4 "making assumptions about the study".* 

Move 2 Step 1, after reviewing the related literature in Move 1, makes deductions and indicates a gap in the field or raises a question that have never studied by the other academicians. Move 2 Step 2 realizes itself on a topic by offering a new solution. These solutions are done for the purpose of finding better results or improvements in the current situation. Move 2 Step 3 indicates the contribution and the value of the present study. For the last part, Move 2 Step 4 informs the readers of the study that what the possible results and implications would be. Overall, the focus of this move is not the details of the study but the general boundaries of it.

*Move 3: Describing procedures of the study.* This move goes deep into the research by listing and explaining the phases of the experiment or processes. Swales' (2004) revised model briefly mentions about such sentences; however, Kanoksilapatham (2005) gives room to these procedures as a separate move. In the present study, Move 3 is identified in 4 steps: *Move 3 Step 1 "listing procedures", Move 3 Step 2 "detailing procedures", Move 3 Step 3 "describing procedures through other studies", and Move 3 Step 4 "justifying methodological issues".* 

Move 3 Step 1, without any detail or comment, states the ongoing procedures and draws a clear picture of the study. However, Move 3 Step 2, as its name suggests, gives details and due to the nature of the field details are observed in the form of graphs, figures and/or equations. Move 3 Step 3 is used to keep the procedures short by just referring to the other studies. Move 3 Step 4 helps the article writer evaluate himself such as suggesting different procedure or underlying reasons of employing particular method.

Working on full-length articles necessitates this move as it eases the replication of the study.

*Move 4: Describing materials.* Move 4 is employed due to the aforementioned reasons. Additionally, the foci of some journals (i.e. *Composite Materials*) are directly related to type of materials used in the research studies. This move occurs in 3 Steps: *Move 4 Step 1 "listing materials by detailing", Move 4 Step 2 "providing the background of the materials",* and *Move 4 Step 3 "justifying materials"*.

Move 4 Step 1 briefs the reader about the amount, the shape, the color, and the special features of the materials used in the study. Investigation of the corpus showed that some articles have mentioned about how the researcher obtained the materials. Move 4 Step 2 fulfills this aim and enlightens the reader about the source or supplier of the material. Move 4 Step 3 argues whether the materials or amount of the materials are appropriate or not for the study. This step may include suggestions to use different materials, too.

*Move 5: Announcing the results.* This part includes the results obtained through the study without any comments or interpretations. Move 5 has great importance that whether the results are worth spreading to the field depends on this part. Move 5 observed in 3 Steps: *Move 5 Step 1 "reporting results", Move 5 Step 2 "detailing results", and Move 5 Step 3 "validating/invalidating results".* 

Aerospace Engineering field has both experiments and production (i.e. analysis and production of durable wings for the high pressures) so; Move 5 Step 1 includes the outcomes of these calculations or the production process. Whereas Move 5 Step 2 goes one step forward and expands the outcomes with more visuals such as graphs, figures and equations. This helps the article writers to clearly explain what has happened. Move 5 Step 3 states whether the results meet the expected outcomes or not. Both, meeting the expectation or not, may have a contribution to the field.

*Move 6: Evaluating result.* The last move, Move 6, is interwoven with the previous move besides it is the last touch to the study by the elaborations and the crucial comments of the researcher. It is composed of 4 Steps: *Move 6 Step 1 "explaining results", Move 6 Step 2 "generalizing/interpreting results", Move 6 Step 3 "stating limitations", and Move 6 Step 4 "suggesting further research".* 

As results alone may not be meaningful to the reader, Move 6 Step 1 uses what has found in the study and makes clarifications to the readers of the article. Move 6 Step 2 is of great importance as the value of a study is mostly determined with its generalizability. The writer makes generalizations and interpretations with this move and step. Move 6 Step 3 includes all kinds of limitations from materials to time, from experiments to lack of support. This step also helps the researcher to move softly to the next step. Move 6 Step 4 urges the researcher or other researchers to study another topic or the same topic but with different materials, formulas, or procedures. Kanoksilapatham (2005) labeled this step as a "separate move" in her article and according to that study it is considered to be optional. However, low occurrence rate of this step should not mislead us that it should be optional since it is the nature of this step. It means, such suggestions are done through only one sentence in AERAs. So, bearing these in mind, the present study put "suggesting further study" as a step under Move 6 and it is admitted to be a conventional step. The following chapter, Chapter IV reports the findings of the present study. Basically, occurrence rates of the each move and step in each article and in the whole data are presented and a discussion part follows the findings for each move.

## **CHAPTER III**

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The AERAs were coded in terms of their structures and it has been clearly observed that articles in the corpus is systematic in terms of their sections, such as introduction, literature review, experimental procedures, methods, conclusion, results, and discussion.

The moves realized in this study match up with Kanoksilapatham's (2005) to some extent, yet, the number of occurrence of the moves led the researcher to convert some of the moves into steps and put them under some "quasi-obligatory" moves (Swales, 1990).

Contrary to biochemistry articles, in aerospace article, writers don't intend to "restate" methodological issues which show that they are refraining from too much wording. This feature is also observed for the rest of the study; especially Move 13 of Kanoksilapatham (2005) called "consolidating results" couldn't find space for itself in the current corpus.

It seemed that the eight articles, which were published in high quality core journals, follow a standard pattern; however, this study didn't explore the moves in a certain section. Thus, in Appendix D the borders of these IMRD parts were demonstrated. As each sentence was coded independently, it was possible to report the number and percentages of the sentences per move in the AERAs, which are visualized in Table 7.

Additionally, Appendix E presents a detailed table showing the number of sentences along with their percentage in the data for each move and step in each article and the whole corpus. The results with sample sentences from the corpus are examined below.

# Table 7

Number of Sentences per Move in the whole Corpus of Sentences

Moves	Number of Sentences per Move	Percentages (%)
Move 1: Establishing a topic	132	11.98
Move 2: Preparing for the present study	52	4.72
Move 3: Describing procedures of the study	328	29.76
Move 4: Describing materials	94	8.53
Move 5: Announcing results	256	23.23
Move 6: Evaluating results	240	21.78
Total Sentences	1102	100

# **3.1.** Move 1 Establishing the Topic

*Move 1: Establishing the topic* is observed in all articles, additionally it is occurred in 132 sentences and it constituted 11.98% of the whole corpus. Move 1 obtained the forth place in terms of occurrence rate. Move 1 is congruent with the findings in both Kanoksilapatham's (2005) and Swales' (1990) studies.

Being observed in all articles indicates that AERAs give importance to contextualizing the study and Move 1 has a role of convincing the readers that the study is worth reading and publishing.

Move 1 fulfilled its function of informing the reader and providing a general view about the topic of the study under 3 different steps.

*Move 1 Step 1: Claiming centrality/importance of the topic* basically indicated the value of the study. This step is observed in 7 out of 8 articles and in 11 sentences corresponding 1% of the corpus of sentences. Being identified almost in all articles makes it a

conventional step. Only the second article did not include this step, and when examined, it was understood that the second article directly started to mention about the related literature.

**Ex.1** The wide range of applications of CNT based composites includes aerospace structures, sporting goods, automotive components, optical barriers, conducting plastics, electro-magnetic interference shielding, composite mirrors, plastics with high thermal dissipation, biomaterial devices, and nanosensors. (Composite Structures 3-Sentence 3)

*Move 1 Step 2:* Only in one article in the corpus Move 1 Step 2 is not observed; however, the other articles had one of 3 different variations of Move 1 Step 2 and they are listed below.

*Move 1 Step 2a: Reviewing items of previous research* simply mentioned about the previous studies of which interests were the same with the current study. Move 1 Step 2a is observed in 6 articles corresponding 75% of the corpus included this step and it makes above the cut-off point of 60%. On the hand when we consider the sentence numbers, it was observed only in 22 sentences with 2% occurrence rate in the whole corpus. Reviewing the related literature in AERAs may have two reasons: First, the article writer tries to explain the rationale of his/her own study. Second, the reviewing committee of the journals may have such expectations that novice academicians are at the beginning of their academic career and they had better to mention about the more experienced academicians

**Ex.2** Olsson attributes the initial matrix cracking due to high local contact stresses, which initiate at relatively low - loads. (CS1-S24)

Move 1 Step 2b: Making claims based on the finding of the previous research is observed in 6 articles and in 17 sentences equal to 1.54% of the whole corpus. This step directly asserted a benefit of the previous study; this is to say that the present article will go one step further from what has been obtained and it gives the message that it has a value in the field.

**Ex.3** Compared to PECVD the latter, being an emerging technology in silicon photovoltaics [8, 9], comprises two main advantages, i.e. high deposition rates and the absence of toxic process gases. (MSE3-S11)

*Move 1 Step 2c: Limitations (in other studies' methodology/of the area)* are argued while reviewing the literature and it is seen in the area of the research and in the methodology parts of the researches. Move 1 Step 2c is observed only in 4 out of 8 articles or 50% of the articles and in 9 sentences out of 1102 or 0.82%. This sub-step is labeled as an optional sub-step due to 60% cut-off rate. The scant observance might have resulted from its closeness to Move 2 Step 1 "indicating a gap". As can be concluded, AERAs do not have a tendency to mention the limitations of other researchers; instead AERA writers focus on their own studies.

**Ex.4** One of the most restrictive assumptions in Pode's analysis is that of a uniform velocity field. (AST-S39)

*Move 1 Step 3: Background information about the topic* is used to construct a basis for the study and to make way to the current study.

Move 1 Step 3 is observed in all articles without any exception also its occurrence rate is 6.62% in the whole corpus of sentences; therefore, it is a conventional move

This step was also presented in Eveyik-Aydin's (2014) study and she found that applied linguistic research articles used this step very frequently. Move 1 Step 3 had dominance on the other steps in the present study, too. Being the most frequently occurred step in Move 1 suggests that in this area, understanding the current study depends on readers' knowledge on the subject. Background information as a part of literature review helps the reader to get the picture just before the study and raise the awareness of the readers; and thus, it is used so much.

**Ex.5** There has also been significant research into the use of such systems in fiber reinforced polymers (FRP) [8–15]. (CASM-S12)

## 3.2. Move 2: Preparing for the Present Study

*Move 2: Preparing for the present study* aimed at familiarizing the reader or the publisher to the study by making assumptions about the study or indicating weaknesses in the field. Move 2 was the least frequently occurring move in terms of number of sentences (in 52 sentences out of 1102 with an occurrence rate of 4.72% in the whole corpus of sentences) in the corpus. The overall number of the Move 2 identified led us to interpret that; Aerospace Engineering academicians have a tendency to pass this "warming" stage swiftly so do the publishers. Additionally, it is an indicator that the Aerospace Engineering field in favor of narrate the study directly. Furthermore, the domination of the "result" and the "procedure" section resulted in the scarcity of this move.

Move 2, as can be seen in Appendix D, lied in between Move 1 and 3 and gave the researcher a glimpse of transition move. It was realized under four categories:

*Move 2 Step 1: Indicating a gap/raising a question* is identified in 4 articles and had an occurrence rate of 0.64% or 7 sentences out of 1102 in the whole corpus of sentences. This step fell below the 60% occurrence rate so that it is labeled as optional step.

This step is congruent with Kanoksilapatham's (2005). This move has a role to divert the readers from a general topic to a more specific (here the current study) point by means of raising a question, making assumptions, or specifying the importance of the topic.

What can be interpreted from the occurrence rate that some writers are trying to contribute to the field while some mention about the gaps, and some do not.

**Ex.6** There is a limited number of studies available in the literature that investigate the combined effect of all these experimentally observed factors on the elastic properties of CNT composites mainly using stochastic approaches [27]. (CS3-S19)

*Move 2 Step 2: Suggesting a different solution/study* is observed in 5 articles and considered to be a conventional step; and in 8 sentences out of 1102 or 0.73% of the corpus, which is very close to the previous step.

AERAs writers have a tendency to keep the articles short and to the point so in the first move they've already established the topic and they don't need such transition phases. They are directly starting experiments or calculations.

**Ex.7** Short of employing an extensive computational fluid dynamic analysis, the incorporation of the effect of a steady two-dimensional flow field which may vary with vertical position may be accomplished with a step-wise change of velocity magnitude with height (discussed below). (AST-S12)

*Move 2 Step 3: Stating the value of the present research*, contrary to other steps of this move, is mostly realized. In the whole corpus of sentences, it was observed in 23 sentences and 6 articles with an occurrence rate of 75%.

As one of the aims of an article writer is to show the difference of his/her paper so that it is more likely to be published or read by many, this step is preferred more than the other steps in this move

**Ex.8** ...the use of a premixed healing resin and elevated temperature after a damage event was an attempt to make the Cycom 823 more suitable as a healing resin and attempt to demonstrate the highest level of healing efficiency possible with this system. (CASM-S61)

*Move 2 Step 4: Making assumptions about the study,* is identified in 5 articles or 62.5% and had an occurrence rate of 1.27% in the whole corpus of sentences. So, this step is also considered to be conventional.

AERAs showed a distinct feature that, as is seen in this step, the writers of this field has a judgment about what they are doing and their assumptions will be validated or not at the end of their work.

**Ex.9** The honeycomb cell can, in this sense, amplify the local strain experienced by an insert. (CS2-S30)

# 3.3. Move 3 Describing Procedures of the Study

*Move 3: Describing procedures of the study* is realized in all articles without any exception. With the sentence number of 328 it took the highest rating in the corpus. In an 1102 sentence corpus of sentences, it occurred 29.76% of the time, which makes nearly one third of the corpus. It is also labeled as conventional move.

Kanoksilapatham's (2005) argued that the methods section of the biochemistry research articles contrary to other disciplines, are well established. Similarly, Move 3, in the present study is the equivalent of the Kanoksilapatham's (2005) Move 5 (describing experimental procedures).

To better understand, the dominance of this move is demonstrated with blue color in Appendix D. In an applied field, such as AERAs, article writers are cautious about being clear enough to make their procedures seem reasonable. For instance, if the writer is working on a composite material to be used in an aircraft, he/she needs to visualize each step of the experiment carefully to prevent any change in the results when it is replicated by others. Another reason should be the effect of reviewers and publishers; field experts expect detailed description of the procedures in order to be satisfied by the results (in a personal interview with a field expert).

Move 3 is realized in 4 different steps;

*Move 3 Step 1: Listing procedures* figured out the phases that how the results obtained. This step is observed in all articles. Moreover, it is the most widely used step by 15.25%, which constituted 168 sentences, in the whole corpus of sentences. Its occurrence rate is 100% of the corpus.

It can be interpreted from this picture that AERAs give high importance to the procedures due to the complexity of the experiments. And, any fuzzy point can convert the direction of the outputs for the reproduction of the similar studies. Furthermore, another reason may be, as is discussed above, the field is well established and the scientists are acquainted with the procedures.

**Ex.10** Finally, the samples were cut into pieces with sizes from of 2.5 cm  $\times$  2.5 cm to 5 cm  $\times$  5 cm. (MSE3-S24)

*Move 3 Step 2: Detailing procedures (by graphs/figures and equations)* is realized in all articles and considered to be conventional. The number of the sentences employing this step is 119 with 10.80% percent occurrence rate.

This step also is a consequence of the field itself, which means sometimes graphs/figures and equations may be better in conveying the meaning. Moreover, without such instruments writers would be lost in the explanations.

**Ex.11** However, it must be noted that the bending-only deformation of the ribs described in [2] can be considered a valid assumption for slender cell walls and for internal angles h not approaching 0 at which point beam stretching dominates behavior [24]. (CS2-S34)

*Move 3 Step 3: Describing procedures through other studies* is only observed in 16 sentences out of 1102. Three of the eight articles did not give room to this step at all and with an occurrence rate of 62.5% it is considered to be a conventional step.

Directing the readers to the procedures of another study is not common in AERAs; the one who employed such strategies did this just for some parts of the whole procedure. When investigated, it is due to practical reasons that the writers referenced to others' methodology.

**Ex.12** The detailed synthesis of the fluorinated polybenzoxazoles has been described elsewhere [6]. (**MSE1-S20**)

Move 3 Step 4: Justifying methodological issues (Suggesting a different procedure, underlying reasons of a procedure) is observed in 7 articles or 87.5% of the corpus and in 25 sentences in the whole corpus of sentences.

This step is handled as a separate Move in Kanoksilapatham's (2005) study. However, due to its low frequency in the present corpus of AERAs and its being a part of procedures justification of the methodology is considered to be a step instead of a move in this study. In her article Kanoksilapatham (2005) argued the uniqueness of the justification of methodology and she added that biochemistry articles differ from other disciplines. Then, it can be argued that similar to the biochemistry corpus AERAs also differ from other disciplines. For instance, this field conducts experiments ant they are all concrete however, social sciences relies on human factor that manipulate the result of a study.

**Ex.13** However, for the purposes of this study, the energy lost due to projectile deformation and thermal effects were neglected due to the small values associated with such energy losses as compared to the initial kinetic energy of the projectile. (CS1-S52)

## **3.4. Move 4 Describing Materials**

*Move 4: Describing materials* is realized in all articles and that makes it a conventional move. Additionally, it is observed in 94 sentences occupying a small portion of the whole corpus of sentences. Therefore; it takes the second place in terms of scarcity after Move 2 yet it is coded in the 8.53% percent of the corpus. It, still, considered as a conventional move.

Contrary to biochemistry articles (Kanoksilapatham, 2005) AERAs allocate less space for the description of materials and it should be due to types of experiments whose materials are already familiar to the researchers. As discussed above, some of the articles included only numerical analyses. Still, all the articles included this move so we need another explanation that why the occurrence numbers are low. That is: AERAs do not have very long sections for materials probably because writers are keeping their description of materials short and clear.

Emerging steps are shown below:

*Move 4 Step 1: Listing materials by detailing the amount/features of the materials* is identified in all articles thus labeled as conventional. It is realized in 50 sentences or 4.54% of the corpus in total. Very similar to what is discussed in the procedure part, providing the amount and features strengthens the article and its reliability.

**Ex.14** The specifications of the CNTs as provided by the supplier are: outer diameter (OD) 20–30 nm, inner diameter (ID) 5–10 nm, length 10–30 lm, purity >95 wt.%, and ash <1.5 wt.%. (CS3-S25)

*Move 4 Step 2: Providing the background of the materials* is not observed in all articles. Only 5 of the articles give room to this move and it is just above the cut-off point by 62.5%. The sentences that include Move 4 Step 2 is limited to 22 out of 1102 which means it is not a frequent.

The Move 4 Step 2 in the present study is slightly different from the one used in Kanoksilapatham (2005). While she meant *descriptions* by the word "background," in this study it referred to the "source" of the material. The background of a material seems not to be necessary information in some articles.

**Ex.15** *The epoxy used for this study was purchased from Eastpointe Fiberglass Sales, Inc., with the resin part number F - 82 and the hardener TP - 41.* (CS1-S41)

*Move 4 Step 3: Justifying materials* is seen in only 5 articles or 62.5% of the corpus and 22 sentences corresponding 2% of the corpus are coded as Move 4 Step 3.

Justification of materials as is seen in procedures is favorable in the field. It can be interpreted that the writers do not want to mention any justification parts in their study and this may explain the scant use of this step. As a result of coding process, "justifying materials" is considered to be a step instead of a move (Kanoksilapatham, 2005).

**Ex.16** As readily be noticed, samples with thicker foam-filled cores and face-sheets on multiple sides provide the best resistance to impact. (**CS1-S69**)

As is seen above and in the literature, if there is an experiment, it is unavoidable not to mention about the materials.

#### 3.5. Move 5 Announcing Results

*Move 5: Announcing results* is a conventional step that it is identified in 8 articles out of 8 and occupied 256 sentences in the corpus equal to 23.23% of the whole corpus of sentences. With these numbers it took the second place in terms of occurrence. This move mainly reports the results, sometimes by giving details and sometimes by comparing with other studies but in each case without commenting on them. The function of Move 5 is to harvest the bounty of experiments, procedures and labor intensive studies.

This move came into existence in 3 steps:

*Move 5 Step 1: Reporting results* is identified in all articles and labeled as conventional step. Move 5 Step 1 is realized in 99 sentences or 8.9% of the corpus. This step is the natural outcome of the research process.

By nature, in a research report, AERA writers report what they found at the end of their experiments, production phases, calculations, and other analyses.

**Ex.17** Laminates with resin filled HGF at two different fibre spacings (70 lm and 200 lm) were shown to provide recovery in flexural strength due to self-healing. (CASM-S121)

*Move 5 Step 2: Detailing results by graphs/figures and equations*, as in the previous step, are realized in all articles. It is observed in 138 sentences out of 1102 or 12.52% of the corpus. This step includes explanations through figures and graphs which are considered to be conventional. While Kanoksilapatham (2005) mentioned two different steps; substantiating results and invalidating results, he did not refer anything about graphs or figures.

AERAs (present corpus) are dealing with the production and experimentation stage and these steps are visualized to affect and ease the perception of the readers. In addition to this, the instruments such as graphs, formulas, and tables presented in this step are the sine qua non of engineering field.

**Ex.18** As can be seen in Fig.8 the honeycombs with internal angles close to 0 achieve the highest maximum ligament strains, with a discontinuity around h = 0 because the deformation of the oblique ribs (1) becomes predominantly axial rather than flexural. (CS2-S103)

*Move 5 Step 3: Validating/invalidating results* are the least occurred step within Move 5 but still named as conventional as it is observed in 6 articles or 75% of the corpus. Being identified in 19 sentences out of 1102 made it the least occurred step in this study.

The writers had a tendency to talk of assumptions that they mentioned in the previous parts of their studies. According to the investigation, this step is identified in the form of validating which is an indicator of writers' crosschecking whether the results meet the expectations or not.

**Ex.19** As would be expected, the energy absorption capabilities of the laminate alone do not approach that of the sandwich as a whole. (**CS1-S96**)

# **3.6. Move 6 Evaluating Results**

*Move 6: Evaluating results is also observed in all articles and labeled as conventional.* Move 6 got the third place in terms of frequency of occurrence. Move 6 is coded in 240 sentences out of 1102 or 21.78% of the corpus. Expanding study's result and establishing the meaning is realized through this move.

In the present study Move 6 included explanations, evaluations, generalizations, limitations, and suggestions for further studies. However, Kanoksilapatham (2005) handled similar points in 5 different moves and 12 steps. Such a difference can directly be related to the different expectations in different fields.

*Move 6 Step 1: Explaining results* is realized in all articles, and it occurred in 88 sentences or 7.9% of the corpus. Although the writer presented the results in the previous move and steps, he/she needs to clarify and evaluate them for the readers. Leaving the results without any comment prevents the writers building bridges between the wider communities.

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**Ex.20** The spikes in the current, seen in some of the I–V traces, are due to 'clearing' or 'self healing' events occurring in the M–I–M (Metal–Insulator–Metal) device prior to complete electrical breakdown. (MS1-S97)

Move 6 Step 2: Generalizing/interpreting results is also observed in all articles thus named as conventional. It occurred in 106 sentences out of 1102 sentences.

By this step, one can understand that the article is in its peak and coming closer to the end. The writers are trying to generalize their findings so that it affects the uniqueness of the article.

**Ex.21** Incorporating cable dynamics into such a simulation opens the door for various types of high-interest analyses such as rotorcraft fast-rope and air refueling drogue models. (AST-S82)

*Move 6 Step 3: Stating limitations* is realized in all articles and in 40 sentences out of 1102. Occurrence rate of 3.63% is realized by this step. As its name expresses, the shortcomings of the study are the focus of this move.

It is very interesting that no writer avoided expressing limitations. The writers seem to extensively share the obstacles and restrictions in their studies so that the readers and evaluators can judge the article confidently. It may also reflect the honesty of the writers (Kanoksilapatham, 2005)

**Ex.22** While there was excellent agreement in tension between the proposed method, Pode's solution, and the polygonal method, it can be seen that the polygonal method (which begins at the balloon and proceeds downward) tends to "overshoot" unless a very large number of elements is employed. (AST-S64)

*Move 6 Step 4: Suggesting further research* is occurred only in 5 articles out of 8 or 62.5% of the corpus, just above the cut-off point. In other words, this step is identified in only 6 sentences out of 1102.

One reason that may explain the fewness of this step is; writers have a tendency to keep the ongoing questions about the study themselves so that they can carry out follow on researches (Berkentokker and Huckin, 1995).

**Ex.23** Capacitance measured over a complete heating (RU) and cooling cycle (RD) at the frequency of interest for power conditioning capacitor applications (10 kHz) shows a slight hysteresis effect (Fig.4(a))and it will be of interest, in the future, to further examine the film dielectric properties as a function of repeated thermal cycling. (MS1-S70)

When it comes to the cyclicity of the moves, as is seen in Appendix D, it doesn't necessarily follow a regular and strict pattern as discussed in the literature (Kanoksilapatham, 2005; Swales, 2004; Postguillo, 1999). Nevertheless, entire corpus especially "announcing results" and "evaluating results" demonstrate a very clear cyclical pattern and cooperation within themselves. Overall occurrence order of the moves is realized as M1-M2-M3-M4-M5-M6 in general yet (as is seen in Appendix D) not linear and all the moves are interwoven through the articles.

In general, Move 1 and Move 2 were realized in the *Introduction* part of the articles, however, there are some exemptions such as examples 24 and 25. They are expected to be realized in the Introduction section but as is seen they are observed in the discussion section. The basic purpose of the writers is to remind the readers, the value and the procedures of the study.

**EX.24** The proposed model ... can be used to guide the manufacturing of composites with engineered properties for targeted applications. (Move 2 Step 3) (Discussion Section) (CS3-S167)

**EX.25** Rapid thermal processing was done using a conventional RTA oven, a dual wavelength laser setup and a movable two sided halogen lamp oven commonly used for ZMR experiments. (Move 3 Step 1) (Discussion Section) (MSE3-S162)

Example 26 shows another distinct feature that although it is supposed to be seen in the discussion section it is observed in the introduction part.

**EX.26** However, adding foam into honeycomb structures significantly increases the density of the sandwich panel, even if foams themselves exhibit relatively good density specific properties. (Move 6 Step 6) (Introduction Section) (CS2-S10)

All in all, Move 3 is emerged all over the sections (see Appendix D).

## **CHAPTER IV**

### CONCLUSION

The aim of the present study was to determine the textual organization of Aerospace Engineering Research Articles, in order to assist the academicians write and read articles more effectively; and assist material developers who are designing materials for ESP/EAP writing.

This paper shows distinctive feature as its focuses on both moves and steps within each move. The study clearly showed that AERAs have many common features in terms of moves and steps that were observed in earlier move studies. Still, field specific genre affected the move structures in AERAs; therefore, a new coding schema was designed and the sentences were coded accordingly.

Aerospace Engineering research articles have a consistent move structure and in order to visualize this consistent move pattern each sentence was colored in accordance with their moves and presented in Appendix D. Overall occurrence order of the moves is realized as M1-M2-M3-M4-M5-M6 in general yet not linear and all the moves are interwoven through the articles and these exemptions that break the consistency of the move pattern were negligible.

The present study proposed six different move and twenty-one steps within those moves. All the moves were considered to be conventional and only two of the steps fell below the 60% cut-off point and labeled as optional. The moves did not follow a regular and strict cycling pattern as discussed in the literature (Kanoksilapatham, 2005; Swales, 2004; Postguillo, 1999). Nevertheless, entire corpus especially "announcing results" and "evaluating results" demonstrate a very clear cyclical pattern and cooperation within themselves.

The study contributed to both Aerospace Engineering and EAP by proposing a model and deeply investigating the textual organization of the AERAs. The proposed schema also meets the expectations of the writers and readers of research articles

#### **4.1. Implications**

Basic implications that can be derived from the study are the teaching of EAP/ESP for the candidate academicians not only to have a better understanding of their field but also to be confident enough to send their papers to distinguished international journals written in English.

To emphasize once more, EAP/ESP instructors, who especially work at the Turkish Air Force Academy, Aeronautical and Space Technologies Institute in Turkey, and other instructors who work in aerospace/aeronautics engineering departments of their universities, can get benefit from the outcomes of this study. First, they can guide the novice move-researchers to understand the rhetorical structures of the articles. Second, they can help native/non-native EAP/ESP students better understand the texts in terms of organizational structures of the articles as the schematic structure proposed by this study will ease the writing process. Moreover, academicians can feel more comfortable when they send their papers to an international journal to be published.

# 4.2. Limitations and Directions for Future Research

The rhetorical structure scheme, that is proposed after analyzing the corpus, can be applied to the full-length articles written in IMRD/C but this study is still pretty limited for such a huge field so further research should be carried through a wide variety of the articles covering the field. When compared with the social sciences (Eveyik-Aydın, 2014), linguist who are willing to work on different fields, should consider the assistance of the field experts due to the unfamiliarity of the terminology.

The findings also may guide both material developers and future move analysis studies in different disciplines.

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APPENDICES

Appendix A

The Corpus

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Appendix B

The Detailed Bibliographical Data of the Journals and the Articles

No	Article	Journal	Impact Factor (2012)	Publication Year	Number of Sentences	Number of Words
1	An investigation on the effect of a small mass impact on sandwich composite plates	Composite Structures	2.231	2005	133	3736
2	Effective topologies for vibration damping inserts in honeycomb structures	Composite Structures	2.231	2013	184	5233
3	Defining the lower and upper limit of the effective modulus of CNT polypropylene composites through integration of modeling and experiments	Composite Structures	2.231	2013	172	4504
4	High temperature polymer film dielectrics for aerospace power conditioning capacitor applications	Materials Science and Engineering B	1.846	2010	104	2722
5	Transient photocurrents as a spatially resolved probe of carrier transport and defect distributions in silicon thin films	Materials Science and Engineering B	1.846	2013	129	3487
6	Defect annealing processes for polycrystalline silicon thin-film solar cells	Materials Science and Engineering B	1.846	2013	168	4116
7	A self-healing carbon fiber reinforced polymer for aerospace applications	Composites Part A Applied Science and Manufacturing	2.744	2007	130	3196
8	Preliminary calculations for a flexible cable in steady, non-uniform flow	Aerospace Science and Technology	0.873	2012	82	2457

Appendix C

The Descriptions of the Proposed Moves of Budsaba Kanoksilapatham

Move 1: Announcing the importance of the field asserts the importance of the topic of study.

Step 1: Claiming the centrality of the topic assures that the article developed on the topic is worth investigating and the field is well established.

Step 2: Making topic generalizations gives overviews about the subject of the study.

Step 3: Reviewing previous research reports previous research deemed to be relevant to the topic being discussed.

Move 2: Preparing for the present study draws scientist's attention to weakness in the existing literature and asserts that a particular research question requires an answer.

Move 3: Introducing the present study consists of three steps in biochemistry corpus.

Step 1: Stating purpose(s) is characterized by a statement of purpose(s) of the study or by an explicitly stated research question.

Step 2: Describing procedures focuses on the main features of the study being reported.

Step 3: Presenting findings announces the principal findings of the study.

**Move 4: Describing materials** covers a wide variety of materials used in biochemistry ranging from natural substances, human/animal organs or tissues, to chemicals (e.g., cell lines, antibodies, plasmids, enzymes, nucleotides, microsomes, membranes, serum, proteins, medium, strains, genes, transporons, DNAs).

Step 1: Listing materials explicitly itemizing materials or substances used in the study.

Step 2: Detailing the source of the materials identifying how these items are obtained, such as, by purchase, as a gift, etc.

Step 3: Providing the background of the materials including the description, properties, or characteristics of the materials.

Move 5: Describing experimental procedures indicates that biochemistry as a discipline is well established and its procedures, methods, and techniques are usually protocolized.

Step 1: Documenting established procedures recounts an experimental process that is already established by previous researchers. As a result of the standardization of experimental procedure, simple reference to the specific name of the method or procedure used to conduct research is adequate.

Step 2: Detailing procedures is used to provide detailed description of the procedures to enable future research replication.

Step 3: Providing the background of the procedures, providing justification for the choice of technique or procedure, and comments or observations made during the experiment.

**Move 6: Detailing equipment** provides detailed information regarding the setting of the apparatus used for a particular task in an experiment, the information crucial for future research replication.

## Move 7: Describing statistical procedures

Move 8: Stating procedures explains why and how the data of the study have been produced.

Step 1: Describing aims and purposes states aim(s) or purpose(s) of the study.

Step 2: Stating research questions explicitly states research questions.

Step 3: Making hypotheses presents hypothetical statements.

Step 4: Listing procedures or methodological techniques details the procedures or methodological techniques employed in the data production.

**Move 9: Justifying procedures** or methodology provides the rationale for the scientist's decision to use particular experimental methods, procedures, or techniques.

#### Move 10: Announcing results

Step 1: Reporting results highlights the results obtained from the study.

Step 2: Substantiating results indicate the validity of the finding; the scientists are making an appeal to the scientific community that their results should be a part of the consensual knowledge of the field.

Step 3: Invalidating results highlight a difference between the result of the current study and that of previous studies, suggesting to the scientific community that the scientists are contributing something novel that might be worth further investigation.

Move 11: Stating comments on the results present the scientist's subjective comments, which are not absolutely established by the data; it occurs in 91% of the articles.

Step 1: Explaining the results.

Step 2: Making generalizations or interpretations of the results.

Step 3: Evaluating the current findings with those from previous studies or with regard to the hypotheses.

Step 4: Stating limitations.

Step 5: Summarizing.

#### Move 12: Contextualizing the study

Step 1: Describing established knowledge situates the study being reported in the interest of the discourse community.

Step 2: Presenting generalizations, claims, deductions, or research gaps allows the scientists to go beyond the results and place their work under the scrutiny of the discourse community.

Move 13: Consolidating results conventionally highlights the strengths of the study and defends their research successes.

Step 1: Restating methodology.

Step 2: Stating selected findings.

Step 3: Referring to previous literature.

Step 4: Explaining differences in findings.

Step 5: Making overt claims or generalizations.

Step 6: Exemplifying.

Move 14: Stating limitations of the present study makes explicit the scientist's views of the limitations of the study about the findings (Step 1), the methodology (Step 2), or the claims made (Step 3).

Move 15: Suggesting further research allows the scientists to advocate the need to offer recommendations for the course of future research by pinpointing particular research questions to be addressed or improvements in their research methodology.

Appendix D

Move Patterns based on each sentence in the Whole Corpus

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122	M5S1		M5S2		M6S1				M6S2		M3S1		M6S2		
123	M5S1		M6S2		M6S1				M6S2		M6S1		M6S1		
124	M5S1		M5S1		M5S1				M6S1		M6S1		M6S2		
125	M6S2		M6S1		M2S3				M6S1		M6S1		M5S1		
126	M6S2		M5S2		M6S2				M6S2		M5S3		M5S1		

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143			M5S2		M6S3					M4S3				
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145			M5S1		M5S1					M6S3				
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Appendix E

Numbers and Percentages of Each Move in each Article and in Total

	Arti	cle 1	Arti	cle 2	Arti	cle 3	Arti	cle 4	Arti	cle 5	Arti	cle 6	Arti	cle 7	Arti	cle 8	Occurrence	Number of	Percentage
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Move 1: Establishing a topic	23	17,3	17	9,2	16	9,3	12	11,5	8	6,2	17	10,1	19	14,6	20	24,4	100	132	11,98
Step 1: Claiming centrality/importance of the topic	2	1,5	0	0,0	3	1,7	2	1,9	1	0,8	1	0,6	1	0,8	1	1,2	87.5	11	1,00
Step 2a: Reviewing items of previous research	8	6,0	2	1,1	2	1,2	0	0,0	2	1,6	0	0,0	3	2,3	5	6,1	75	22	2,00
Step 2b: Making claims based on the finding of the previous research	1	0,8	0	0,0	2	1,2	0	0,0	1	0,8	3	1,8	5	3,8	5	6,1	75	17	1,54
Step 2c: Limitations (in other studies' methodology/of the area)	1	0,8	0	0,0	5	2,9	0	0,0	0	0,0	2	1,2	0	0,0	1	1,2	50	9	0,82
Step 3: Background information about the topic	11	8,3	15	8,2	4	2,3	10	9,6	4	3,1	11	6,5	10	7,7	8	9,8	100	73	6,62
Move 2: Preparing for the present study	1	0,8	13	7,1	17	9,9	3	2,9	5	3,9	2	1,2	5	3,8	6	7,3	100	52	4,72
Step 1: Indicating a gap/raising a question	0	0,0	0	0,0	4	2,3	1	1,0	0	0,0	0	0,0	1	0,8	1	1,2	50	7	0,64
Step 2: Suggesting a different solution/study	0	0,0	1	0,5	2	1,2	2	1,9	0	0,0	0	0,0	2	1,5	1	1,2	62.5	8	0,73
Step 3: Stating the value of the present research	0	0,0	6	3,3	8	4,7	0	0,0	2	1,6	2	1,2	2	1,5	3	3,7	75	23	2,09
Step 4: Making assumptions about the study	1	0,8	6	3,3	3	1,7	0	0,0	3	2,3	0	0,0	0	0,0	1	1,2	62.5	14	1,27
Move 3: Describing procedures of the study	26	19,5	75	40,8	44	25,6	29	27,9	32	24,8	59	35,1	23	17,7	40	48,8	100	328	29,76
Step 1: Listing procedures	9	6,8	29	15,8	22	12,8	13	12,5	12	9,3	57	33,9	19	14,6	7	8,5	100	168	15,25
Step 2: Detailing procedures (by graphs/figures and equations)	11	8,3	38	20,7	18	10,5	8	7,7	15	11,6	2	1,2	1	0,8	26	31,7	100	119	10,80
Step 3: Describing procedures through other studies	0	0,0	5	2,7	1	0,6	5	4,8	0	0,0	0	0,0	1	0,8	4	4,9	62.5	16	1,45
Step 4: Justifying methodological issues (Suggesting a different procedure)	6	4,5	3	1,6	3	1,7	3	2,9	5	3,9	0	0,0	2	1,5	3	3,7	87.5	25	2,27
Move 4: Describing materials	18	13,5	3	1,6	26	15,1	6	5,8	8	6,2	19	11,3	13	10,0	1	1,2	100	94	8,53
Step 1: Listing materials by detailing the amount/features of the materials	13	9,8	1	0,5	13	7,6	4	3,8	7	5,4	6	3,6	5	3,8	1	1,2	100	50	4,54
Step 2: Providing the background of the materials	2	1,5	0	0,0	13	7,6	2	1,9	0	0,0	1	0,6	4	3,1	0	0,0	62.5	22	2,00
Step 3: Justifying materials	3	2,3	2	1,1	0	0,0	0	0,0	1	0,8	12	7,1	4	3,1	0	0,0	62.5	22	2,00
Move 5: Announcing results	41	30,8	56	30,4	29	16,9	20	19,2	42	32,6	31	18,5	34	26,2	3	3,7	100	256	23,23
Step 1: Reporting results	12	9,0	19	10,3	8	4,7	4	3,8	22	17,1	15	8,9	17	13,1	2	2,4	100	99	8,98
Step 2: Detailing results by graphs/figures and equations	26	19,5	33	17,9	16	9,3	15	14,4	16	12,4	14	8,3	17	13,1	1	1,2	100	138	12,52
Step 3: Validating/invalidating results	3	2,3	4	2,2	5	2,9	1	1,0	4	3,1	2	1,2	0	0,0	0	0,0	75	19	1,72
Move 6: Evaluating results	24	18,0	20	10,9	40	23,3	34	32,7	34	26,4	40	23,8	36	27,7	12	14,6	100	240	21,78
Step 1: Explaining results	10	7,5	3	1,6	20	11,6	13	12,5	10	7,8	15	8,9	16	12,3	1	1,2	100	88	7,99
Step 2: Generalizing/interpreting results	8	6,0	14	7,6	15	8,7	17	16,3	16	12,4	15	8,9	17	13,1	4	4,9	100	106	9,62
Step 3: Stating limitations	6	4,5	3	1,6	4	2,3	2	1,9	7	5,4	9	5,4	2	1,5	7	8,5	100	40	3,63
Step 4: Suggesting further research	0	0,0	0	0,0	1	0,6	2	1,9	1	0,8	1	0,6	1	0,8	0	0,0	62.5	6	0,54
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