LIMITED SUBMISSIONS TEMPLATE

Two-Page Limit, inclusive of figures and tables

1" margins of single-spaced text in 11-pt. standard font (Arial, Times New Roman, etc.)

The following headers should be included; explanatory table below (please remove prior to full submission)

1. PI name
2. Co-PI(s) name(s), as applicable
3. Specific aims/goals of the proposal
4. Research plan/methodological rigor
5. Novelty and innovation of the proposed research
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7. Relevance to external sponsor
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9. Commitment/sustainment of research, as applicable

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Specific aims/goals of the proposal	Outline the key steps to fulfill the objectives and achieve the intended goals of the proposed research.
Research plan/methodological rigor	a. Explain how the plan for carrying out the proposed activities is well-reasoned, well-organized, and based on a sound rationale. b. Describe how the plan incorporates a mechanism to assess success. c. Provide clearly defined and achievable timelines and milestones.
Novelty and innovation of the proposed research	Describe to what extent do the proposed activities suggest and explore creative, original, or potentially transformative concepts.
Impact of the proposed research	Explain the degree to which the proposed research will (a) advance knowledge and understanding within its own field or across different fields (intellectual merit) and (b) benefit society or advance desired societal outcomes (broader impact)?
Relevance to external sponsor	Describe the relevance of the proposed research to the aims of the funding agency or foundation.
Strength of investigator and/or research team	Describe the qualifications of the individual or team to conduct the proposed activities.
Commitment/sustainment of research, as applicable	Describe the commitment for ongoing support from a university school, center or department or other sources for the proposed research. Are there adequate resources available to the PI (either at the home organization or through collaborations) to carry out the proposed activities?