

External Peer Review Scoring Rubric
NIH-format review criteria
R01/R03/R15/R21/R34

Name of Principle Investigator:

Title of Proposal:

Date review completed:

Overall Impact: [\(click on hyperlink for description of factors to consider\)](#)

Please provide written justification and the factors that were considered for your overall impact score in the space provided here:

SCORED REVIEW CRITERIA

Please consider each of the five review criteria below in the determination of scientific and technical merit, and give a separate score for each. Each criteria below is hyperlinked for additional guidance. Quicklink to scoring guide: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/guidelines_general/scoring_system_and_procedure.pdf

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<p><u>Significance</u> Rating Scale (1 high, 9 low)— 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Will the project move the field forward or influence the field in a compelling way; is the project addressing an important problem; does it address any critical knowledge gaps</p>	<p>Strengths:</p> <p>Weaknesses:</p>
<p><u>Investigator(s)</u> Rating Scale (1 high, 9 low)— 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Is the PI/team qualified to undertake the proposed work; if early career, do they have appropriate experience/training; Is the team well-rounded and inclusive of expertise needed to succeed</p>	<p>Strengths:</p> <p>Weaknesses:</p>

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<p><u>Institution/Environment</u></p> <p>Rating Scale (1 high, 9 low) —</p> <p>1 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>4 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>5 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>6 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>7 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>8 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>9 <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Are the necessary resources available to carry out a successful project (institutional support, equipment, other resources)</p>	<p>Strengths:</p> <p>Weaknesses:</p>
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ADDITIONAL REVIEW CRITERIA

As applicable for the project proposed, reviewers will consider the following additional items in the determination of scientific and technical merit, but will not give separate scores for these items.

- Responses for Protections for Human Subjects, Vertebrate Animals, and Biohazards **are required for all applications.**
- A response for Inclusion of Women, Minorities and Children **is required** for applications proposing Human Subjects Research.

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EACH ITEM BELOW IS HYPERLINKED WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING EACH REVIEW CRITERIA

- **[PROTECTIONS FROM HUMAN SUBJECTS](#)**

Comments (required unless Not Applicable):

- **[INCLUSION OF WOMEN, MINORITIES, AND CHILDREN](#)**

Comments (required unless Not Applicable):

- **[VERTEBRATE ANIMALS](#)**

Comments (Required unless Not Applicable):

- **[BIOHAZARDS](#)**

Comments (Required Unless Not Applicable):

[RESUBMISSION \(if applicable\)](#)

Comments (if applicable):

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RENEWAL (if applicable)

Comments (if applicable):

REVISION (if applicable)

Comments (if applicable):

ADDITIONAL REVIEW CONSIDERATIONS

As applicable for the project proposed, reviewers will consider the following items but will not give separate scores for these items and should not consider them in providing an overall impact/priority score.

APPLICATIONS FROM FOREIGN ORGANIZATIONS

SELECT AGENTS

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RESOURCE SHARING PLANS

BUDGET AND PERIOD OF SUPPORT

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO APPLICANT

Reviewers may provide guidance to the applicant or recommend against resubmission without fundamental revision.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO APPLICANT (optional)