

Instructions for NIH-style Proposals

Follow formatting for an NIH R01 proposal.* Prepare the proposal as if you will be the Principal Investigator (PI), to carry out the experiments at the University of Maine using your advisor's facilities (and/or other relevant facilities/locations). Please adhere to all page limitations, but only include items listed below as required.

Detailed instructions for NIH Proposals can be found at:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/phs398/phs398.html>

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/pa-11-260.html>

* Discussion of the proposal and its preparation with Ph.D. advisor is strongly encouraged

Required Items:

1. Face Page 1 (fp1.docx): Omit items 2, 3f, 3h, 7,8,11-14.

2. Face Page 2 (fp2.docx): Omit DUNS, ERA Commons ID.

Include: Project Summary, Relevance, Performance Sites

3. NIH-formatted Biosketch: Omit ERA Commons ID.

Use actual data, assuming the role as PI (Principle Investigator), with no prior experience as PI. Maximum length 4-pages (as for PI).

4. Specific Aims (limit 1 page)

5. Research Strategy (limit 15 pages single spaced Arial 11 point font)

Background

Includes significance and preliminary results

Experimental plan

Includes research design and methods

Alternate approaches and pitfalls

Future directions

References (do not count toward page limit)

6. Resources

Omit: All Budget-Related Items, Checklist, Planned Enrollment Report, Cumulative Inclusion Enrollment Report, All Personnel Report

Page Limits (Use Limits for R01-type Proposal)

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms_page_limits.htm

Section of Application	Activity Codes	Page Limits * (if different from FOA, FOA supersedes)
Introduction to Resubmission and Revision Applications	For all Activity Codes, and for each component of a multi-component application	1
Specific Aims	For all Activity Codes that use an application form with the Specific Aims section (including each component of a multi-component application)	1
Research Strategy	For Activity Code DP1	5
	For Activity Codes R03, R13, U13, R13/U13, R21, R36, R41, R43, SC2, SC3, X01¹	6
	For Activity Code DP2	10
	For Activity Codes R01, R15, R18, U18, R21/R33, R24, U24, R28, R33, R34, U34, R42, U42, R44, U44, DP3, DP5, G08, G11, G13, SC1, SI2 , single project U01, UH2, UH3, UC4, UH2/UH3, X01¹, X02	12
	For RM1, PM1 , and UM1 Applications	6, 12, or 30 pages
	For each project and core of multi-component applications, such as Program Project/Center (P) and multi-component U applications.	Generally 6 or 12 pages**
	For all other Activity Codes	Follow FOA instructions
Commercialization Plan	For R42 and R44	12
Biographical Sketch	For all Activity Codes except DP1 and DP2	4
	For DP1 and DP2	2