

SPECIFIC AIMS (1 page)

Paragraph 1: What is the big challenge you want to solve

Paragraph 2: What is your long term goal, and how is this proposal an important step towards that goal?

Paragraph 3: Why you and the team you have assembled?

Aim 1: Aim 1 title

Goal of aim 1. One sentence of how you will do it. Expected outcome.

Aim 2: Aim 2 title

Goal of aim 2. One sentence of how you will do it. Expected outcome.

Aim 3: Aim 3 title

Goal of aim 3. One sentence of how you will do it. Expected outcome.

SIGNIFICANCE (0.5 - 1 page)

Literature review. Describe unmet need / knowledge gap / existing debate in the field this proposal will fill

This project is significant because WHY?

Several more specific aspects of significance

INNOVATION (0.5-1 page)

Overall outcome.

This aspect of my project is innovative. Details.

This other aspect is innovative too. Details.

APPROACH

Repeat as necessary...

Overall one paragraph summary of approach and how aims fit together.

Research Team. Why this group?

Aim 1: Title

Introduction. One paragraph overview of the aim, approach, and expected outcomes.

Justification. Rationalize all of the key decisions you made in the research strategy design,

Feasibility. All of the preliminary data that shows this will be possible. Include power calculations.

Research Design. What you are actually going to do. Note that you are now 6-8 pages in before starting into approach details.

Expected Outcomes. Describe.

Potential Pitfalls & Alternative Strategies. What you will do when things go awry. DO NOT EXCLUDE THIS!

Aim 2: Title

Introduction. Justification. Feasibility. Research Design. Expected Outcomes. Potential Pitfalls & Alternative Strategies.

Aim 3: Title

Introduction. Justification. Feasibility. Research Design. Expected Outcomes. Potential Pitfalls & Alternative Strategies.

Timeline. (Include a figure)

Future Directions. Where is the renewal going to focus?